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BELIEVED HEADIEST ATTACK OF DAY

Canton, 2 p.m., To-day.

Canton's fifth raid in two days found the attack concentrated on the Canton-Hankow Railway, by which it is alleged large supplies of ammunition emanating from Hong Kong have been transported in the last two or three days.

The roar of Chinese anti-aircraft guns heralded the arrival of the further contingent of Japanese raiders.

The exact number of planes participating in the raid is unknown, but Reuter's correspondent counted nine large bombers, and there were possibly more.

The raid was apparently of a more severe nature than former attacks, for six columns of smoke are now rising to the sky, indicating hits.

One of these columns is rising to a height of more than 200 feet.

The raiders left within the hour and the city is again quiet.—Reuter and Our Own Correspondent.

TRAIN DELAYED 2½ HOURS

Passengers arriving in Kowloon this afternoon by train from Canton report that out of five hangars at the military aerodrome near the station, three were destroyed in the Japanese air raids.

The train, due at Kowloon at 11.30, did not arrive until 2.05, having been held up by the raids.

The train was not allowed to leave Canton until the "all clear" signal had been sounded.

The passengers state that the populace of Canton has by now become inured to the raids, and that thousands of Chinese flock to the house-tops to witness the air battles, completely oblivious to all danger.

Canton, To-day.

The exodus from Canton was resumed this morning following the excitement of the past two days.

Ships and trains to Hong Kong are packed with Chinese, while a number of foreigners are also seeking quieter places.—Reuter.

HANKOW LINE

Canton, To-day.

A story is being circulated all over the city that during yesterday's air raid the Japanese planes dropped pamphlets declaring the Japanese intention to bomb the Canton-Hankow Railway on Friday this week.—Reuter.

CHINESE IN NANKING WORK ON NORMALLY

Nanking, To-day.

In spite of the threatened Japanese bombing of the capital all Chinese officials are working normally.

The staff of the Belgian Embassy, as well as the Czecho-Slovakian Minister, M. Jan Seba, have decided not to move.

Meanwhile the U.S.S. Luzon was sighted this morning lying two miles up-river from her original anchorage.

It is believed the gunboat was actually en route to Wuhu when plans were suddenly changed.—Reuter.

AMERICAN ADMIRAL'S DECISION

Shanghai, To-day.

According to a statement released to the press by the United States Commander-in-Chief, Admiral Harry Yarnell, a report from Rear-Admiral Marquardt, commander of the Yangtse Patrol, says that neither the gunboats Guam nor Luzon will be moved unless they come under "direct fire of artillery or direct bombing from aircraft."—Reuter.

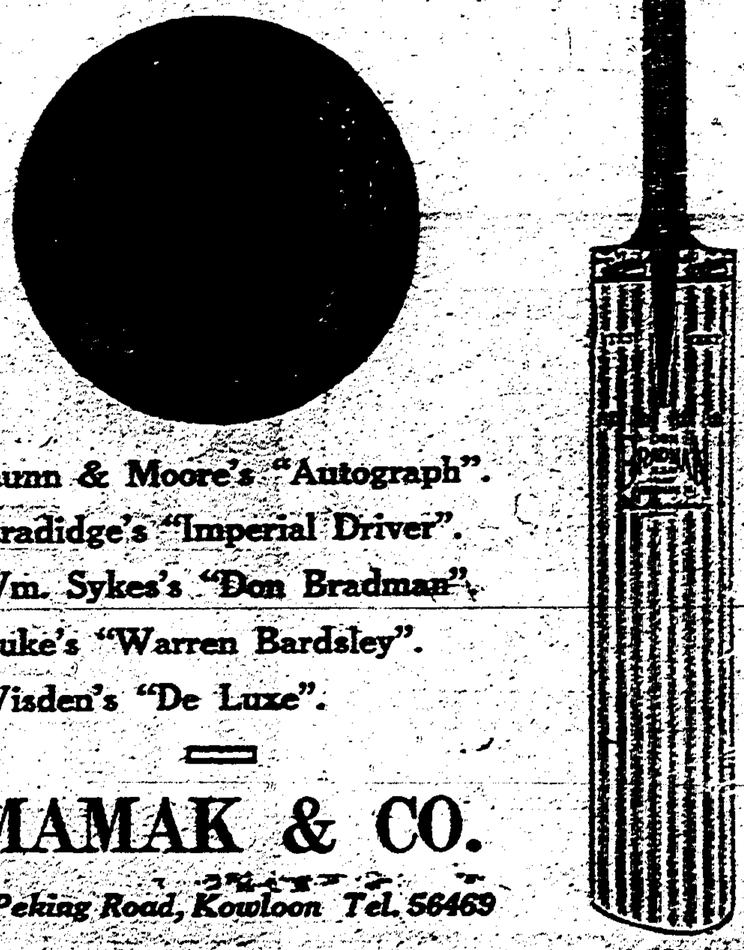
RAID PLAN NOT OFF

Tokyo, 1 p.m., To-day.

The War Office to-day denied that there was any intention of abandoning the plan to destroy Nanking, which was regarded as the main base of Chinese military operations.

A spokesman declared that a raid might be made at any time on any day, whenever a decision to issue the order was given.—Our Own Correspondent.

Cricket Bats That Give Confidence



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ANOTHER LOCAL JUNK CAPTURED AND BURNED

First-hand evidence of Chinese Air Force activity against Japanese naval units participating in the blockade of South China, was supplied to the "China Mail" this morning by the master of a large fishing junk, which was captured and destroyed by the Japanese whilst engaged in a voyage between Kwong Chau Wan and Cheung Chau.

Although none of the 22 occupants were injured and in the main were well-treated, the junk, valued at the best part of $7,000 was burnt to the water-line.

Relating his experiences, the master said that he left Kwong Chau Wan at 6 a.m. on September 8 in the company of another junk and the voyage proceeded without incident until 8 o'clock on the evening of the 12th. when they were picked out by the searchlight of a Japanese warship which was visible a short distance away.

A boarding-party consisting of an officer and four bluejackets arrived soon after in a motor-launch and enquired as to their destination and mission. When told, he informed the master that he would be detained until the following morning. The entire party was then taken aboard the warship and sat on the deck, under armed guard, throughout the night.

JUNK SET ALIGHT

"The following morning," continued the master, "we were taken back to our junk and told to gather our property and tranship it to the other junk. After we had done so our junk was set alight and as we sorrowfully set sail for Cheung Chau, we saw it blazing fiercely.

"A short while after this we saw two aeroplanes, which must have been Chinese, appear in the sky. On sighting the warship, they made for it and dropped several bombs, which we could see bursting all around it. Whether they scored any hits, though, I am unable to say. The warship maintained a terrific fire on the aeroplanes which eventually flew away.

"We arrived at Cheung Chau without further incident."

JUNK'S MAST CHOPPED DOWN

Kwok Pak Tau, master of junk No. 371—H.W., reports that at 1 p.m. on September 15, while his junk was off Chung Tai Koon, in Chinese Territory, a Japanese warship was seen.

Nine Japanese seamen boarded the junk armed with axes with which they proceeded to chop down the mast, then throwing the crew overboard. After taking five muskets which they found on board, they sailed away.

The entire crew managed to get back to the junk and repair the sail, eventually arriving in British waters on September 20.

Damage was estimated at $200.

British Treasury Returns

London, To-day.

Exchequer returns show total and ordinary revenue of £292,874,049 against £279,293,270 a year ago and a total expenditure, less self-balancing items, of £382,167,144 against £355,373,568 a year ago. — British Wireless.

Army Manoeuvres

Paris, To-day.

The Chief of the French General Staff, General Gamelin, left Paris yesterday for Yugo-Slavia, where he will watch the army manoeuvres.

Later on he will be present at the manoeuvres of the Rumanian Army.—Trans-Ocean.

FOREIGN DEFENCE WORRIES?

Shanghai, To-day.

Japanese quarters here declare that the authorities in the International Settlement and French Concession are strongly reinforcing the defences on the borders of the foreign areas.—Trans-Ocean.

CHAMBERLAIN'S BID FOR PEACE WITH ITALY

London, To-day.

Mr. Neville Chamberlain, the Prime Minister, in his talk on Monday with the French Ambassador, M. Charles Corbin, made it clear that the crux of his foreign policy was an Anglo-Italian rapprochement.

This declaration is made by the "Daily Mail" diplomatic correspondent.

The "Daily Express" says the talk was arranged at the request of the French Ambassador.

Chief topic, says the paper, was the fall in the French franc, which has caused the French and British authorities to keep in close touch with each other.

M. Corbin, the paper alleges, put certain proposals in regard to the franc to Mr. Chamberlain.—Trans-Ocean.

LONDONDERRY OFF AS GUEST OF GOERING

London, To-day.

Lord Londonderry, former Air Secretary, left by plane from Croydon yesterday for Berlin, where he will be the guest of General Goering.

Before his departure, Lord Londonderry declared that his visit had no political significance but was of a purely private character.

He expects to return to London on Wednesday next week.—Trans-Ocean.

Three Launches In 19 Minutes

London, To-day.

Three torpedo-boat destroyers ordered by the Argentine Government from Vickers-Armstrong were launched at Barrow-in-Furness yesterday within 19 minutes.—British Wireless.

Cholera Patients

Enquiries at the Government Civil Hospital this morning elicited the information that Mrs. Pearson is a little better and Mr. Holden's condition is much the same.

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Brahms Recital By Nura Kanis

To-day's Wireless

Schubert Trio No. 1 In B Flat

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12-12.20 p.m.—Relay of Special Service from St. John's Cathedral.
12.30 p.m.— Marek Weber & His Orchestra and Charles Kullman (Tenor)
Menuett (Beethoven).
Puccini—Potpourri.
Forest Idyll (Esslinger).....Orch.
The World Is Mine To-night (Narvell & Posford).
By the Dark Lagoon (Baddeley & Leigh) ..... Charles Kullman.
Viennese Memories of Lehar (arr. Henry Hall).....Orchestral.
1 p.m.—Local Time Signal and Weather Report.
1.03 p.m.—The Mills Brothers.
Solitude (Ellington, De Lange, Mills)
London Rhythm (Williams, Addison)
Tiger Rag (La Rocca).
1.13 p.m.—Some French Songs.
Colombella (de Pierlas, Roger Fernay).
Reviens Cherie (Cyrieroy, Gardibu & Patruno) ....Tino Rossi (Tenor).
Chez Moi (Jean Feline, Misraki).
En Se Regardant (Piere Bayle, Jean Delettre) ..... Lucienne Boyer.
Le Chant Du Marin (Serge Veber, G. Van Parys).
Le Lieutenant Souriant (film "La Taratata') ..... Adrien Lamy.
1.30 p.m.—Reuter and Rugby Press; Local Weather Forecast and Announcements.
1.40 p.m.—Songs by Turner Layton.
It's Great To Be In Love Again (Koehler & McHugh).
A Waltz Was Born In Vienna (Crocker & Loewe).
My S.O.S. For You (film 'Soft Lights and Sweet Music').
1.50 p.m.—Dance Music.
Fox-Trots—
I Dream Of San Marino.
Let Me Dream Of Havana.
Ronnie Munro & His Dance Orch.
Tangos—
El Que A Hierro Mata.
Siempre Unidos...Orquesta Tipica Francisco Canaro.
Waltz—One Kiss In A Million.
Fox-Trot—Love, Please Stay.
Henry Jacques With His Correct Tempo Orchestra.
Fox-Trots—
Gone (film 'Love on the Run').
When Is A Kiss Not A Kiss (film 'Champagne Waltz').
Roy Fox and His Orchestra.
2.15 p.m.—Close down.
4-7 p.m.—Chinese Programme.
7-11 p.m.—European Programme.
7 p.m.—Songs by Lucienne Boyer (Soprano) & Tino Rossi (Tenor).
Ta Main (Aubret-Delettre).
Lucienne Boyer.
Vous Qu'avez-Vous Fait De Mon Amour? (Varna, Marc-cab & Barczi).
Pourquoi Quand Je Te Dis: Je T'Aime (B. & L. Valerio).....Tino Bossi.
Les Prenoms Effaces (Tranchant).
Estampe Marocaine (Eddy-Bos).
Lucienne Boyer.
Guitare D'Amour (Poterat & Schmidseder).
Lentement Dans La Nuit (Sauvat & Cuscina) ..... Tino Rossi.
7.20 p.m.—Closing local Stock Quotations and Hong Kong Exchange Market Report.
7.25 p.m.—Schubert Trio No. 1 In B Flat, Op. 99. Played by Cortot, Thibaud and Casals.
8 p.m.—Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.
8.03 p.m.—Studio—Brahms Recital by Nura Kanis (Piano).
1. Capriccio in G Minor, Op. 116 No. 3.
2. Intermezzo in E Major, Op. 116 No. 6.
3. Capriccio in B Minor, Op. 76 No. 2.
4. Intermezzo in A Minor, Op. 118 No. 1.
5. Intermezzo in A Major, Op. 118 No. 2.
8.23 p.m.—Brahms Songs.
Verrat, Op. 105, No. 5.
An Die Nachtigall, Op. 46, No. 4.
Alexander Kipnis (Bass) and Gerald Moore (Piano).
8.32 p.m.—C. D. Cunningham at the Organ.
Introduction And Finale (from 'Sonata On 94th Psalm'—Reubke).
Fantasia In F Minor (Mozart).
8.50 p.m.—Band of H.M. Grenadier Guards.
The Beggar's Opera—Selection (Gay-Austin).
Parade Of The Elephants, Characteristic (Chenette).
The Old Frog Pond, Characteristic (Alford).
9.03 p.m.—Light Orchestral.
Chinese Night Watch (Siede).
Petersburg Sleigh-Ride Party (Eilenberg).....Otto Dobrindt & His Concert-Orchestra.
International Railroad Express.
Polka Frieda.
Jakov Serebroff's Russian Orch.
A La Gavotte (Finck).
A La Minuet (Finck).
The Palladium Orchestra.
Speakeasy—Cuban Dance (Gensler).
Bolero (film 'Bolero'—Ravel).
Oden Theatre Orchestra.
9.30 p.m.—London Relay—The News & Announcements.
9.55 p.m.—Variety and Dance Music.
Orchestral—In a Vienna Beer Garden
Mantovani & His Tipica Orchestra.
Vocal—
Let's Go Ballyhoo (Browning, Starr & Brooks).
All Because of You (Low, Clarke, Browning & Starr).
Browning & Starr (Duettists).
Fox-Trots—
They All Laughed.
I've Got Beginner's Luck.
Harry Roy & His Orchestra.
Songs—
Clavelito Del Genil (Romero).
Flor Del Mal (Padilla-Montesinos).
Raquel Meller with Orchestra.
Vocal—
Two Tired Eyes (Freed—Royal).
Wake! (O Hamilton—M. Stanton).
Leslie Hutchinson.
Piano—
Variations on "Tipperary" (Williams & Judge).
Miracles Sometimes Happen (Ray Noble) ..... Renara.
Vocal—
He Was a Gentleman's Gentleman (M. Carr).
The Lady from Mayfair (M. Carr).
Michael Carr.
Cinema Organ—Popular Melodies
Intro: 'Alone at a Table for Two'; 'Alone'; 'I'm All Alone'; 'You Started Me Dreaming'; 'The Touch of Your Lips'; 'Lost'.
Harold Ramsay.
Comedian—Impshe ..... Max Miller.
Vocal—
Dixie Isn't Dixie Any More (Mercer & Bloom).
Jo-jo, The Cannibal Kid (Mercer & Bloom).
Lavaida Carter.
Slow Fox-Trot—
The Mood That I'm In.
Goodnight My Lucky Day.
Carroll Gibbons & The Savoy Hotel Orpheans.
11 p.m.—Close down.

BRIDGE NOTES

By ELY CULBERTSON

Technique Is Wrong

The bidding by North on the hand shown is very poor. After his partner's three-heart bid, North should have returned to three-no-trumps, a contract that could not have been defeated. There is no reason why North should have preferred hearts to no-trumps, as he had every suit stopped and ought to have wanted the lead to come up to his hand.

His partner then "co-operated" by proceeding to go down a trick, although four hearts should have been made.

North, dealer.
Neither side vulnerable.

S K 7 2
H J 8 5
D A 6 3
C A K 5 4

S Q J 10 3 — H 9 6 4 — D 10 9 5 — C J 8 2

W: E H 7 3, D K J 7 5, C 10 9 6 3
S: S A 8 4

S 9 6 5
H A K Q 10 2
D Q 8 4
C Q 7

The bidding:

North	East	South	West
1 G	Pass	1H	Pass
1 NT	Pass	3 H	Pass
4 H	Pass	Pass	Pass

West opened with the queen of spades and, after winning the first three tricks in that suit, East returned a club, declarer winning with the queen.

Declarer could afford to lose no more tricks, and now attempted a squeeze, although he did not know exactly how to go about it. He hoped that West would hold four clubs and the king of diamonds, and, with that in mind, he simply ran off all his trumps, finally leaving dummy with the blank ace of diamonds and the ace-king-small one of clubs. East, sitting over dummy, simply held on to three clubs and the blank king of diamonds, and the hand was defeated.

Declarer made one fatal error. He should have played the ace of diamonds before starting the squeeze, purposely establishing the king of diamonds (Vienna Coup), and providing for discards on his long trump suit. Then the squeeze would have been effective if either opponent held the king of diamonds and at least four clubs originally, since the king of diamonds could not be retained and the club suit protected.

Readers' Queries

The game was being played in Two Demand, with the four-five no-trump convention.

"A" dealt and bid two spades.

His partner ("C") held the following:—

S 6 5 3
H K J 3
D A 5 4
C 10 9 8 7

The bidding:

A	B	C	D
2 S	Pass	3 NT	Pass
4 S	Pass	5 D	Pass
5 S	Pass	6 S	Pass
Pass	Pass		

Should "C" have passed after "A" had bid four spades?

"C's" bid of three no-trumps was quite correct; but after "A's" bid of four spades, "C" *must* pass. He has a minimum of 1½ honour tricks with no distributional value.

What's On At the Cinemas

AT THE KING'S—"The Case Of The Velvet Claws".—Another thriller from the facile pen of Erle Stanley Gardner. This time it is the story of an interrupted honeymoon—Perry Mason's, with the famous sleuth sought for murder. Starring Warren William, Claire Dodd, Winifred Shaw, Gordon Elliot, Eddie Acuff and Joseph King.

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AT THE ORIENTAL—Postal Inspector."—Presenting Ricardo Cortez in the title role, with Patricia Ellis, Michael Loring, Bela Lugosi, Dave Olivier, Henry Hunter and Marla Shelton. A stirring tale of a $3,000,000 mail robbery which carries the sleuth into flooded territories.

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AT THE MAJESTIC—"Man's Castle", with Spencer Tracy and Loretta Young. One of the most glamourous love stories ever told.

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AT THE QUEEN'S—"Men In Exile", with Richard Purcell and June Travis. A mystery story dealing with a boy who is forced to leave America and go to the Carribbean Seas where he meets the most exciting adventures in a port from which criminals cannot be extradited.

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AT THE ALHAMBRA—"I'll Fix It", with Jack Holt and Mona Barrie. An exciting picture with Jack Holt as a man of action and a political go-between in the business of running the city schools.

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AT THE STAR—"Don't Tell The Wife".—Una Merkel and Lynne Overman share featured honours with Guy Kibbee in this comedy which is an uproarious story of a group of suave crooks who attempt to clean up a fortune in selling worthless stocks. The supporting cast includes Thurston Hall, Guinn Williams, William Demarest, Lucille Ball, Harry Tyler and Frank M. Thomas. Also the World's heavy weight Championship bout between Joe Louis and James Braddock.

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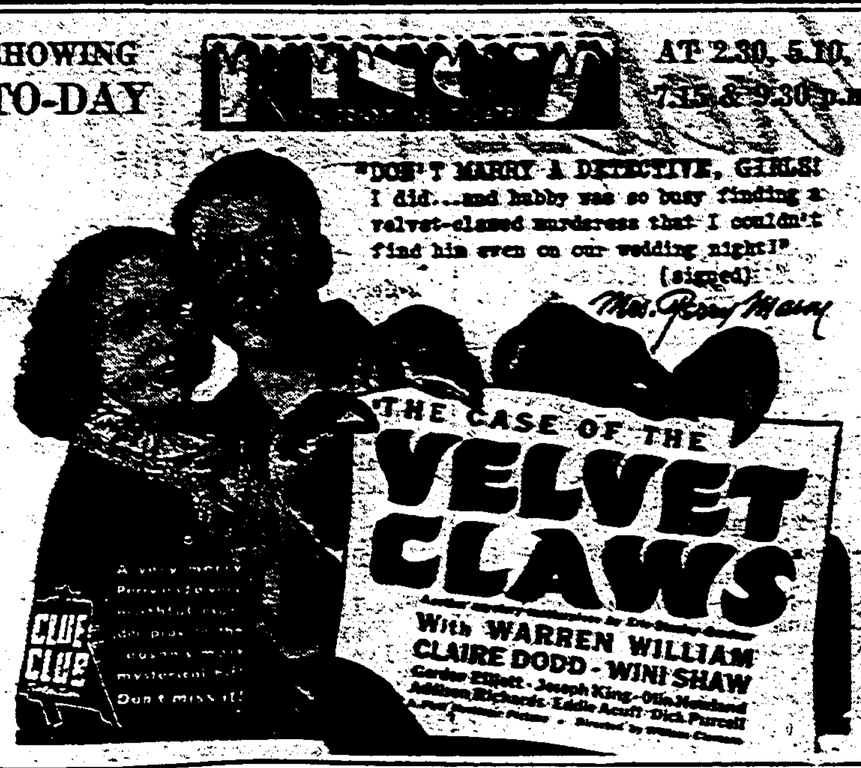

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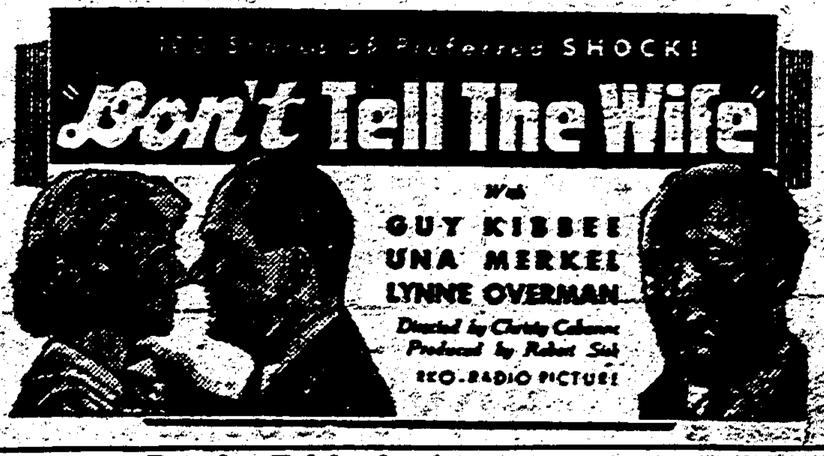

FRI. SAT. : Douglas Fairbanks, jr., Dolores Del Rio in "ACCUSED"

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Anti-Piracy Peace Possible

London, To-day.

Reports from various centres show the prospect of early developments in connection with the Mediterranean anti-Piracy police scheme on the lines for which the British and French Governments have consistently worked since before the Nyon Conference.

In a speech at the League Assembly, the British Foreign Secretary recalled the circumstances in which it had become imperative to deal urgently with lawless attacks on shipping in the Mediterranean and the regret of the British Government that all Mediterranean Powers had not felt able to attend at Nyon.

The Conference had had to work under those unfortunate limitations but nevertheless had achieved a workable and complete plan which was already in operation.

ROME TALKS

Mr. Eden added "The Nyon arrangement contains provisions for its reconsideration and the British and French Governments and I make no doubt other signatories also will certainly be at all times ready to consider all suggestions that may be put forward in this connection."

In the meantime, on Sunday, the Italian Foreign Secretary had asked the British and French Charges d'Affaires to call upon him and it is understood that Count Ciano in the course of the interview made a verbal statement to effect that Italy was anxious to cooperate in the naval patrol scheme. The reservations the Italian Government entertained regarding the Nyon Arrangement were further clarified in terms which were published in Rome as a communique.

MEETING SUGGESTED

On the strength of Count Ciano's verbal statement to Mr. Ingram and Monsieur Blondel, the British and French Governments have now suggested a meeting of technical experts in Paris at an early date to discuss possible modifications of the patrol scheme which might be recommended in the case of participation of an Italian naval contingent.

Modifications, such as experience or circumstances might suggest, were explicitly provided for in the Nyon arrangement itself.

Press messages from Rome state that a communique had been issued there officially announcing that Italy has agreed to participate in the policing of the Mediterranean under the Nyon arrangement while Paris messages speak of confident expectation in French circles of an early meeting of naval experts to examine the practical conditions on which the Italian Navy can take part in anti-piracy work.—British Wireless.

While driving in Links Road, yesterday Mr. Walsh knocked down Lee King-kong who was admitted to the Queen Mary Hospital suffering from a fractured leg and concussion.

Mrs. Fung Kwok-wa knocked down a Chinese in Kennedy Road yesterday. The man was taken to the Queen Mary Hospital suffering from head injuries.

QUEEN OF DENMARK IMPROVES

Copenhagen, To-day.

The condition of Queen Alexandrine, who has been ill during the past week following an operation, has substantially improved.

The Queen expects to leave bed in a few days.—Reuter.

LEAGUE DEBATE ON PALESTINE

Geneva, To-day.

The Palestine partition plan came up for lengthy discussion before the League committee yesterday.

After the Norwegian member had recommended that developments be studied without hasty action being taken, the Polish delegate urged the committee to consider Poland's situation and endeavour to bring about a solution which will open up Palestine to Polish Jews, who at present constitute ten per cent. of the total population of Poland.

He declared that Poland favours a national home for Jews which will not disappoint those who hope for realisation of the principles laid down in the Balfour Declaration.

NEGATIVE STAND

The Egyptian Foreign Minister, who in a speech on Monday took an entirely negative stand on the British partition plan, yesterday urged a policy of awaiting general developments, and emphasised the British Foreign Secretary's declaration that no decision should be taken which is not approved by both Arabs and Jews.—Trans-Ocean.

Warrant For Paroled Irun Governor

Paris, To-day.

Reports from Brest state that a warrant has been issued for the arrest of the Spanish Nationalist military governor of Irun.

The governor had been released on parole after surrendering to the police in connection with the attempt to seize the Spanish Government submarine C2 in Brest harbour.

The police now suspect that the governor did not only take part in the attempt to capture the submarine but has also been mixed up in several other conspiracies.

CHAUFFEUR ALSO

The Brest court has also issued a warrant for the arrest of the governor's chauffeur, "for attempted theft and complicity in the attempted seizure of the submarine C2."

The Spanish Nationalist authorities, meanwhile, have ordered closure of the Franco-Spanish frontier, and have forbidden French journalists to enter Spanish territory.—Trans-Ocean.

The forthcoming wedding of Mr. John Denniford Minhinett, of the Gloucester Hotel, and Miss Elfrida Maria Cordeiro, of No. 1, Mallory Street, has been announced.

LITVINOFF ONSLAUGHT ON FASCIST POWERS

Geneva, To-day.

A fiery speech against the anti-Communist Powers was made yesterday by the Soviet Foreign Commissar, M. Maxim Litvinoff, in his first address before the League Assembly.

M. Litvinoff referred to those States which "use their struggle against Communism merely as a pretext for intervention, economic aims and acts of violence."

He spoke of the "parrots in high positions," whose constant warnings to the world about the danger of Bolshevism do not become any the less ridiculous through endless repetition.

The League, he declared, should not delude itself into thinking that it can ward off attacks by endeavouring to co-operate with aggressors.

Refuting assertions that the Soviet wished to gain political influence in Spain, he declared that Moscow was interested only in guaranteeing the Spanish people the right to determine their own form of government without interference from foreign Powers or armies, and in preventing Spain from becoming a "base for attack on all Europe."

UNIVERSALITY OF LEAGUE

He denounced the Chilean proposal for increasing the universality of the League as superfluous, declaring that those Powers who had withdrawn from Geneva would return only if they received guarantees that their aggressive plans would not be disturbed.

In its present form the League could afford assistance to Spain and China exceeding their "modest demands."

NOT PASSIVE

The League should not be passive, since a decisive policy pursued against aggressors would automatically eliminate all other cases.

This, he concluded, was the only way to secure return of the absent Powers, and should be resorted to instead of the present system of questionnaires.—Trans-Ocean.

JAPAN TO BE ASKED TO ATTEND

Geneva, To-day.

The League's advisory committee on the Sino-Japanese conflict met yesterday afternoon.

On a motion put by Heer de Graaf, the Netherlands representative, M. Munters, the Latvian Foreign Minister, took the chair.

Mr. Leland Harrison, United States Minister to Switzerland, was present.

The decision was taken that all meetings will be private.

At the request of Lord Cranborne (Britain) it was decided to ask that China and Japan be represented, while Germany and Australia will also be invited.

The invitation will be cabled immediately, with request for a reply within three days.

The next meeting of the advisory committee will be held after the replies are received.—Reuter.

CHINA FORCED TO POSTPONE LEAGUE'S AID

GENEVA, TO-DAY.

THE CHINESE GOVERNMENT HAS SUGGESTED TO THE LEAGUE OF NATIONS THAT IN PRESENT CIRCUMSTANCES IT WILL NOT BE POSSIBLE TO CARRY OUT THE FORMAL PROGRAMME OF TECHNICAL COLLABORATION WITH THE LEAGUE.

China hopes, however, for assistance in prevention and control of epidemics and general relief of the civil population and refugees.

The Secretary-General of the League has also received a letter from the Chinese delegation, drawing attention to the Japanese announcement of the intention to bomb Nanking.

In the letter, Dr. Wellington Koo, the chief Chinese delegate, declares that if such indiscriminate air attacks on the capital of a countr are tolerated, a most dangerou precedent will be created.—Reuter.

LAST RITES FOR CZECHO-SLOVAK LIBERATOR

Prague, To-day.

The coffin of the late Thomas Masaryk, former President of Czecho-Slovakia, was yesterday borne on a gun carriage through vast silent and sorrowing crowds on a five-mile route to the railway station, where it was entrained for his native town, where the founder of Czecho-Slovakia will be buried beside his wife.

President Edouard Benes, in a funeral oration, pledged to remain faithful to the spirit of philosophy of the dead President, who had created in Czecho-Slovakia an indomitable and humanitarian democracy.—Reuter.

LONDON MARKS RESPECT

Flags on public buildings in London flew at half-mast yesterday for the funeral of Dr. Masaryk.

The evening papers feature reports from Prague of the homage rendered by the people of the Czech Republic to its first President and Founder.

A description of the funeral cortege and procession by a British commentator in Prague was broadcast by the B. B. C.—British Wireless.

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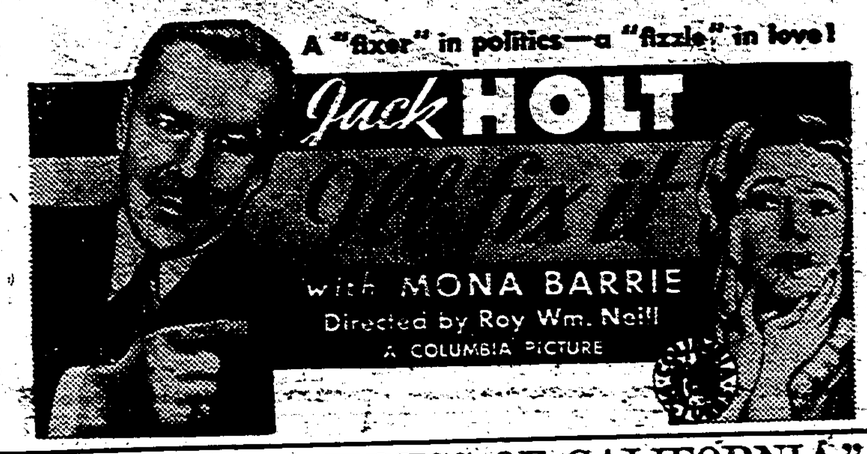

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GRAND CLIMAX TO IL DUCE VISIT TO GERMANY: LEAVING ON FRIDAY

Berlin, To-day.

Although no official statement has yet been issued concerning the programme of Signor Mussolini's visit, it is affirmed that the climax of the Duce's stay in the German capital will be the great Italo-German demonstration in the Stadium, in the course of which both Herr Hitler and Signor Mussolini will make speeches.

It is believed that this sensational political event will take place on September 28.

It is further believed that this day, in view of its importance, will be declared a public holiday.

A law is expected to be enacted beforehand providing for payment of wages to workers for the day.

Signor Mussolini will, it is expected, spend three days in Berlin, from Monday, September 27 till Wednesday, September 29, during which time all public buildings, as well as private houses, will be decorated with German and Italian flags.

It is believed that the German Government will shortly issue a proclamation to the German nation on the subject of the Duce's visit.—Trans-Ocean.

LEAVING ON FRIDAY

Rome, To-day.

An official statement issued here last night announces that Signor Mussolini will leave for Munich on Friday.

The Duce will stay in Munich for a day and will then proceed to Mecklenberg, where he will attend the autumn manoeuvres of the German Army on Sunday.

After the manoeuvres, he will pay a visit to Berlin, where he will remain till September 29.

The Duce will be accompanied by the Foreign Minister, Count Ciano, the Secretary-General of the Fascist Party, Signor Starace, and a number of other Government and party officials.—Trans-Ocean.

INDIAN MAKES DISTURBANCE IN POLICE CELL

Before Mr. S. F. Balfour at the Central Magistracy, Rahmar Ullah, an Indian, pleaded guilty to four charges, (a) entering the Colony without a valid passport on September 16 (b) possession of a quantity of prepared opium (c) possession of a sheath knife and (d) wilfully and maliciously damaging the property of the Government, in the Central Police Station.

Defendant made his appearance yesterday but was remanded for 24 hours in Police custody.

Defendant said he had a Shanghai passport which he had not brought with him. The opium found was for his own consumption and the knife he used for killing chickens in accordance with his religious customs.

Regarding the last charge, he said that, being an opium smoker, and not having any for some days, his craving got the better of him.

An expulsion order was made against him on the first charge. For possession of opium he was fined $15 or 10 days. He was cautioned on the third, and sentenced to one week's imprisonment on the fourth charge.

The defendant made a lot of noise during the night while in custody, keeping several police officers awake. A blanket was torn to shreds.

Europe's Loss Of Prestige In Far East

Paris, To-day.

In yesterday's "Petit Journal" the well-known French journalist, Count d'Ormesson, referring to the "inactivity" of European powers in the face of political unrest in the world, writes.

"What do European Powers do, when hostilities in the Far East reach the International and French Settlements, in Shanghai?

What measures does Europe take in the face of this unheard-of provocation? None.

Europe is far too busy with its own affairs, far too much weakened by them, to be able to take any other step except voice lame protests.

This assuredly is the worst possible sign, not alone for the happenings in the Far East, but also for the degree of decline that Western Civilisation is shown to have reached.

"I know perfectly well that it is considered in good taste to shrug one's shoulders at the mention of "Europe" or "European Spirit." "Jokes" one calls this, and smiles. And I also know that one has become sceptical of the inner value of such words. And yet, some few thousand kilometres away from Europe, is it not a fact that one feels the existence of the Old Continent, and that Western Civilisation is an actual fact.

A SIN

Small distances tear one away from Europe, but big distances again have a uniting effect.

To have destroyed this Europe with its own hands, that is the sin of which the West cannot be exonerated. August 2nd, 1914, does not only signify the outbreak of a revolution and a war, but it signifies an abdication. The Treaty of Versailles has done nothing to help. It has on the contrary revealed the helplessness of the West."—Trans-Ocean.

While stroking a dog belonging to Mr. Roger of No. 2, Salisbury Avenue, yesterday, Richard Hopkins, aged 7, of Marble Hall was bitten on the hand. He was treated at the Kowloon Hospital and the dog sent to Mautaukok for observation.

TO IMPROVE NON-INTERVENTION EFFICIENCY

London, To-day.

A communique issued last night states that the international non-intervention committee have approved a proposal that the International Board be authorised to give immediate effect to certain recommendations of an administrative character designed to improve and strengthen the efficiency of the observation scheme which were made by Vice-Admiral Van Dulm, chairman of the Board.

The first group of recommendations relate to certain improvements of the sea observation scheme designed to reduce the inconvenience to shipowners caused by the obligations imposed upon them under the scheme. The second group relates to certain improvements which experience has shown are urgently required in the conditions of service and remuneration of certain classes of the international staff employed by the Board.—British Wireless.

GERMAN REFUGEES WARNED NOT TO RETURN

The German Consul-General in Shanghai has warned all German nationals who have taken refuge in Hong Kong not to return at the present time.

The danger is just as it has been since the outbreak of hostilities, but there is additional danger from the rapid spread of cholera and a threatened food shortage.

Volunteer Reserve Camps For R.A.F.

London, To-day.

The Air Ministry has decided to establish fourteen new training camps for volunteer reservists.

These training centres are to distributed over the whole of Britain, and it is intended in this way to turn out at least 1,000 reservists in a year.—Trans-Ocean.

EDEN STAYS OVER BRIEFLY IN PARIS

Paris, To-day.

The British Foreign Secretary, Mr. Anthony Eden, stopped over in Paris en route to London from Geneva and conferred with the French Premier, M. Camille Chautemps, at a luncheon held in the apartment of the British Minister, Mr. H. Lloyd Thomas.

The "Paris Soir" declares that after discussing the international situation in detail, the statesmen came to the conclusion that close co-operation between Britain and France was the best guarantee for peace and preservation of the European balance of power.

Before the meeting, M. Chautemps and Mr. Eden held a long telephonic conversation with the British Prime Minister, Mr. Neville Chamberlain, in London.

Mr. Eden returned to London from Bourget by plane in the afternoon.—Trans-Ocean.

COPTIC CHURCH APPOINTMENTS IN ITALY

Cairo, To-day.

Coptic Church circles here state that an agreement has been reached with the Italian Government in regard to the appointment of a Metropolitan for the Coptic Church in Abyssinia.

The present Metropolitan, Corillos, who has arrived here from Rome, has established connections between Rome and the Coptic Patriarch.

In future, the Metropolitan for Abyssinia will be elected by the Coptic Patriarch in Cairo, and will be chosen from the ranks of the higher Coptic clergy in Egypt, but his election will require the sanction of the Italian Government.—Trans-Ocean.

FOUR-HOUR RAID ON CANTON

Quickly Followed By Second Shortly After Dawn

SEVEREST ATTACKS YET LAUNCHED

Canton, To-day.

What was possibly the longest air raid in the present Sino-Japanese hostilities was experienced early this morning when an unknown number of Japanese planes paid Canton a third visit in 24 hours.

It is estimated they dropped between fifteen and thirty bombs, mostly on the northern and eastern areas.

Loss of life and damage to property is not divulged officially but foreign observers opine that this was more severe than in the two earlier raids yesterday.

The alarm was sounded shortly after 2 o'clock this morning and an hour later the thunder of bombs dropping and anti-aircraft fire was audible, with an occasional lull until nearly daylight.

It is now 6 o'clock and the drone of the last plane faded away only a few minutes ago. The all clear signal still has to sound.

Reuter's correspondent spent the night on the roof of the Victoria Hotel and witnessed the burst of flames as each bomb was dropped, followed a second later by the sound of its explosion.

Tracer anti-aircraft fire was clearly visible, the shells rocketing across the sky before bursting.

Chinese planes are understood to have engaged the invaders and machine-guns were distinctly audible at times.

South of the city one plane dropped four green flares, which remained suspended in the sky for some minutes before disappearing. They seemed to mark the line of the river.

From the first street parallel to the Shakee foreshore, a number of what appeared to be red flares shot into the sky.

For a moment these were thought to be signals from spies but the blatant continuation of the lights eventually led observers to believe they were from legitimate Chinese sources.

THRILLING MOMENT

One extremely thrilling moment was experienced when a plane was heard over the north city.

A searchlight beam flashed across the sky and a second later anti-aircraft guns roared forth.

The engine of the machine suddenly stopped and for a few brief moments it seemed as though the plane had been hit, but the loud thud of a bomb and renewal of the drone of the plane quickly revealed that it had cut off its engine and then gone into a power dive.

WHOLE CITY AWAKE

The night's bombing and shelling awakened the city and Shameen.

Many of the small foreign community soon returned to their beds but others took up positions in specified refuge buildings and the usual precautions were taken on the island.

Daylight found a thin line of smoke hanging over the eastern horizon.

The all clear signal was sounded at 6.25 but Canton has been given only a short breathing spell.

It is now 6.40 and the syrens are sounding the alarm again.—Reuter.

TO-DAY'S SECOND VISITATION

Fire Visible In West Of City

Canton, To-day.

Canton experienced its fourth air raid within 24 hours at 6.40 this morning, when a number of Japanese planes, believed to be six, visited the city and loosed off a further load of bombs.

The raid was featured by the usual power diving, anti-aircraft fire and so forth, while a cloudy sky hid the raiders from the view of those who watched on the roofs of houses in Shameen.

The all clear signal was sounded at 8.30.

A fire is visible to the west of the city, where a cloud of smoke is climbing to the sky.

An official statement regarding the activities of the last two days is being withheld at present.

A number of foreign women on one rooftop on Shameen were wearing shorts and tin hats.—Reuter.

FOUR BROUGHT DOWN

Many Non-Combatant Casualties

Canton, To-day.

A reliable Chinese source informs Reuter that seven Japanese planes were sighted at Lungshankong, north of Macao, at 2.30 this morning flying in a northerly direction via the Bocca Tigris.

They were sighted at Canton at 3.10 a.m. and eventually departed, being chased as far as Chekai, west of Macao, by Chinese planes.

In the second raid, 27 Japanese bombers are reported to have participated, arriving over Canton at 7.10 and leaving at 7.30.

During both raids several bombs were dropped in the eastern, western and northern suburbs, as well as on aerodromes, where, however, no special damage was done.

Two bombs dropped almost at the front door of the palatial Sun Yat-sen Memorial Hall, which thousands of foreign tourists have visited in the past year, while a few private houses were demolished in the west city. Many non-combatants were killed.

The Chinese claim that four Japanese planes were brought down, one in flames near a military hospital and another plunging into the water near Whampoa. The two others have not yet been located.—Reuter.

—FINN GUARDS— FIRE ON SOVIET PLANES

Helsingfors, To-day.

Shots were fired by Finnish frontier guards yesterday at several Russian military planes which flew over the border.

One of the machines had to make a forced landing, and a Finnish military commission has left to investigate the incident. — Trans-Ocean.

FOREIGN LADY AND CHILD "SHOCKED" IN AIR RAID

Canton, To-day.

A foreign lady and her child, sheltering in a dug-out at Tungshan, were thrown against the wall as a result of a nearby bomb explosion during the Japanese air raid.

Suffering from slight shock, both are being sent to Hong Kong to-day.

It must be emphasised that foreigners in Shameen are in no danger, except in the unlikely event of stray shrapnel or an unforeseen accident.

A number of foreigners still remain in Tungshan, the only danger there being its proximity to the Chinese aerodromes, which both yesterday and to-day were the objectives of the Japanese raids. — Reuter.

RAILWAY SAFE

The "China Mail" understands that although the Kowloon-Canton Railway station in Canton has been one of the objectives of the Japanese raids, no damage whatsoever has yet been done at Taishatau.

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Italian Destroyers And Submarines Are Waging War On Spain, But

WHERE IS OUR NAVY?

By H. N. Brailsford

(Written prior to the conclusion of the Nyon Arrangement).

QUITE recently, a Spanish tanker, the Campeador, was making her way through the Mediterranean from Rumania to a Spanish Republican port.

She had reached that part of this sea which Italy now dominates — the comparatively narrow waters between Sicily and the African coast.

Here two Italian destroyers, one of them the Saetta, began to follow her. When night fell they attacked without warning.

Three torpedoes struck the defenceless ship and then two shells. She was soon ablaze.

There was no time to launch her boats. On the crew as they swam for their lives, the Italians turned first their searchlights and then their machine-guns.

Two sailors were rescued by a British ship. This is their story.

If a German submarine had been guilty of such a cowardly attack during the Great War our Press and our propaganda, with perfect justice, would have blazed into merciless wrath.

With rare exceptions, the German U-boats behaved with as much humanity as the conditions of their ruthless job allowed.

These Italian vessels, however, were surface-boats that could have given warning, arrested the Campeador, and in any case rescued the crew. Instead they slaughtered the survivors as they swam.

And all the while the Power that acted in this way is not at war with the Spanish Republic. Its ambassador sits as a neutral on Lord Plymouth's Committee.

HIGH SEAS WARFARE

This, moreover, is not a unique case. Another Spanish tanker and a cargo steamer were sunk by an unknown submarine off Gallipoli, 1,500 miles from the Spanish coasts.

It is doubtful whether Franco has any submarines at all; at most he may have reconditioned one small submarine belonging to the Republic, which he disabled and captured. Certainly he has none capable of cruising to the Turkish Straits.

It is a reasonable guess, then, that this submarine, like the destroyer, was an Italian vessel.

REACHING THE LIMIT

It would be useless for us to address our remonstrances to the Fascist Dictators. But here is a case for some very pointed questions to the British Government.

Parliament is not sitting, and our rulers are shooting grouse; none the less the Labour Party might, even in September, find a way of speaking its mind.

There are limits of tolerable absurdity even in that tasteless form of entertainment—a diplomatic farce.

It is not tolerable that the British and French Governments should continue to treat as a fellow-neutral a Power whose warships sink Spanish vessels at sight on the high seas.

The reader may smile and ask me why I should expect the British Government to be moved by these naval brutalities, when it displayed no audible indignation as Italian armies, that may number anything up to 80,000 men, landed on Spanish soil and went into battle under their own generals with the Duce's public blessing.

The answer is simple enough. This Italian army is, after all, operating on Spanish soil under Franco's flag, and, nominally at least, under his control! But Italian warships are waging war under their own flag far outside Spanish waters.

NAVY'S PROUD DUTY

What is at stake, then, is not merely the rights of the Spanish Government or (shall we say?) the obligations by which Italy is still bound as a member of the League of Nations.

It would be useless, I agree, to use arguments based on those considerations to our Government.

It is, rather, the order and peace of the high seas. That is a matter that concerns even the most Tory Government.

There is—or there was—such a thing as the law of the sea. We used to be taught in those far-off days of innocence when we went to school, that one of the duties of the British Navy, perhaps its most glorious duty, was to act as the police of the high seas.

Not much of our elaborate civilisation would be left if this law disappeared. We should relapse into the centuries when piracy was a daily event in Mediterranean waters, and every merchantman carried guns.

Those days, as we scan our newspapers, are on us again. But the old Barbary pirates, whose exploits we used to read in the pages of Defoe, had nothing more formidable than brass cannon on the poops of sailing ships. The pirates of to-day have their submarines and their hydroplanes.

"Does it matter," a Tory might ask, "so long as they only attack 'Red' vessels?" Even that matters. The law of the sea protects flags of every colour, even the Soviet ensign.

In point of fact, this piracy is perfectly indiscriminate. A Danish ship, with an innocent cargo, carrying a neutral observer, was sunk without warning or mercy by seaplanes somewhere south of Barcelona.

The list which you will find in a recent "Manchester Guardian," contains ships of many nationalities, British and French, Greek and even Italian.

In every case the procedure was the summary frightfulness of the pirate, who attacks without warning and sinks at sight.

ADMIRALTY WARNING

To be sure, the British Admiralty has issued a warning. Its order now are to attack any submarine that assails a British ship.

This is something, but not very much. A British ship suddenly attacked by a submarine has small chance to send out a call for help. The submarine can do its deed of darkness and dive again into safety long before a British warship can come to the rescue.

Nor are we maintaining the order and peace of the seas so long as we confine our indignation to wrongs suffered by British ships.

Civilisation requires that the seas shall be safe for all. It is as much a crime, as much an act of piracy, that a submarine or a destroyer should sink a Spanish ship off Tunis or the Dardanelles as it would be if a group of rebel Spaniards were to attack a party of "Red" Spaniards in Piccadilly Circus.

Long before there was a League of Nations there existed collective security at sea. To repress piracy was every Power's duty, whether the victims were its own citizens or another's.

STARVATION THREAT

You and I may care profoundly about another aspect of this business. Such piracy is designed to bring about the defeat of democracy in Spain and the enslavement of its working class.

Its purpose is to deprive the Republic of oil and food. On seaborne supplies it depends entirely for its oil—the main material of victory—and largely for wheat.

We do not expect the British Government to share our concern on that score, but we do expect the first maritime Power in the world to feel some respect for order and law at sea. We are rattling into barbarism while it sues for Mussolini's friendship.

What, then, should be demand? Convoys have been suggested. That would be useful if the thing were done by international co-operation, so that the warships of all the honest neutrals would protect merchantmen carrying innocent cargoes under any of their flags.

Again, the order for protection should be general, so that a Danish or French ship may call on a British warship for aid against the pirates.

But nothing will serve until the Government uses another language towards Mussolini. The time has come to require from it that it shall forbid further lawlessness.

Let it wind up the contemptible London Committee and restore to the Spanish Government the rights it filched from it a year ago.

THE WORLD GOES BY

By "ULYSSES"

BY "In Parenthesis," in the "North China Daily News."

He came up to us in the club the other evening, with the fixed look in his eye—you know the sort of thing: the look which the official spokesman assumes when he is going to put over a particularly fast one—and grabbing us by the lapel of our coat started:—

"Have you heard...."

"Don't, please don't tell us," we pleaded. "Don't make our blood curdle any more."

"But you don't know what I am going to say."

"Oh, yes. I do."

"Well what is it then, if you're so smart?"

"I know. The big push is going to start to-morrow. You have got it on the best authority. Indeed right out of the horse's mouth."

"Well, it isn't exactly that. That big push I know definitely is to start to-morrow, but believe it or not, the Japanese boast that they will have at least one-hundred-and-sixty-two aeroplanes in the air."

"You don't say."

"Yes. One-hundred-and-sixty-two."

"Uh! I should worry. Seems to me they couldn't be in a better place than in the air."

"But fancy one-hundred-and-sixty-two!"

"Are you sure of your fact."

"Absolutely, ol' man. I've got a friend whose amah's first cousin works in an egg factory, and she says it is bound to come to-morrow. You know I don't like that number."

"Neither do I."

"Why not?"

"Well for one thing you can't divide it by four, and if you could what's the use?"

Then gently disengaging his grip on our coat, and avoiding the fixity of his eye we knocked one back. Just to keep our spirits up.

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Camouflage

Much interest is caused out in the country by the sight of Chinese soldiers walking about with a branch of bamboo above their heads. And quite a few have come to us murmuring something about those two fellows Birnam Wood and Dunsinane, neither of whom are on our calling list, chiefly because their behaviour gave our dear old friend Macbeth the "woollies." Stranger still are the lorries decorated in the same way. This is said to be excellent camouflage designed to wreck the morale of the enemy. Aviators, looking down, and seeing a large sized bush prancing down the middle of a road, have been known to turn their machines round and head for home, swearing to keep off sake for the rest of their lives.

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A letter to "In Parenthesis:"

Dear I.P.

What is this daily report about "Launching a fierce counter-offensive" that one reads in the papers? Does this refer to a boat or ship?

Corporal Punishment.

May be a ship—statesmanship. What a Hull of a question!—I. P.

BIG BATTLE PENDING

Elaborate Chinese Defence Scheme At Paotingfu

JAPANESE NOW FACE SERIOUS DEFENCE

SHANGHAI, TO-DAY.

ANOTHER BIG BATTLE APPEARS TO BE IMPENDING IN NORTH CHINA.

The Chinese have prepared elaborate entrenchments cleverly concealed among woods and millet fields around Paotingfu, which the Japanese heavily bombed yesterday morning preparatory to a general attack, for which the Japanese have formed up on a twelve-mile front north of Paotingfu.

The coming battle will be a decisive test of strength, as the Japanese army prepares for a further drive against the Chinese positions along the Peiping-Hankow and Tientsin-Pukow Railway zones.

The Japanese successes hitherto have been gained at the expense of lightly-armed Chinese troops, of which only four divisions belong to the Central Government.

Hostilities are expected to enter a new phase when Nanking throws aeroplanes, tanks and heavy artillery into the fray.

The main defence line stretches between the railways five miles south of Paotingfu and Tsangchow.—Reuter.

JAPANESE CLAIM

Tokyo, To-day.

Advancing along the Peiping-Hankow Railway, the Japanese have occupied the fortified town of Hsushui, says a Japanese claim.—Trans-Ocean.

NANKING WATCHES CLOSELY

No Illusions Felt

Nanking, To-day.

Chinese public opinion is following with the keenest interest the meeting of the Advisory Committee set up in 1933 by the League of Nations to study the Sino-Japanese conflict, although no illusions are entertained concerning the efficiency of the aid which the committee may be able to render.

Political circles point out that nothing could be gained by merely branding Japan as the aggressor.—Trans-Ocean.

LORRY DRIVER CHARGED

Li Fon, driver of the lorry which was involved in the fatal accident on Island Road, was this morning charged before Mr. W. Schofield at the Central Magistracy with driving the lorry, without due care and caution and with having an excess number of persons in the lorry. One woman was killed and three seriously injured.

The case was adjourned for a week. Defendant was allowed bail of $250.

BIG CLASH COMING IN SHANGHAI

Shanghai, To-day.

A Chinese spokesman stated this morning that the Japanese are waiting for re-inforcements from Japan, on the arrival of which, they are likely to launch their fourth attempt to cut the Chinese lines along the Lotien-Liuhang front.

The Chinese have received instructions, added the official, to hold the section at all costs, and the troops are being strongly re-inforced by Nanking, where it is considered that the collapse of the Chinese defence on the Lotien-Liuhang front might effect the morale of the Chinese troops fighting elsewhere in Shanghai.

"We are prepared," concluded the spokesman, "for any attack by the Japanese, who will, undoubtedly, bring their air and naval forces into action in launching their attack."

JAPANESE LOSSES

The Chinese claim that since the Shanghai hostilities broke out on August 13 last, the Japanese suffered a loss of over 20,000 troops killed and wounded, which does not include pilots.

The majority of the casualties occurred on the Woosung front.—Our Own Correspondent.

DR. SCHACHT RUMOURS

Berlin, To-day.

Press reports of the impending resignation of the Reichsbank President and Minister of Economy, Dr. Hjalmar Schacht, are denied in Berlin.—Trans-Ocean.

ADMIRALTY OFFICIALS FOR SPECIAL TOUR

London, To-day.

It is understood that the First Lord of the Admiralty, Mr. A. Duff Cooper, and other Admiralty officials, are shortly proceeding on a Mediterranean cruise in the Admiralty yacht Enchantress.

It is expected that Gibraltar, Malta, Alexandria and Haifa will be among the places to be visited.—Reuter.

SEAMEN'S AIMS AGAINST AGGRESSORS

Paris, To-day.

Seamen's organisations should "continue efforts against aggressors in Europe and the Far East," declares a resolution passed by the International Conference of Seamen's Organisations yesterday, which is affiliated to the International Federation of Transport Workers.

The resolution also pays tribute to the efforts of seamen to "hinder and prevent transports destined by the rebels for Spanish ports."

Nine European countries are represented at the Conference, including Britain, France and Spain.—Reuter.

SEARCH FOR MISSING YACHT ABANDONED

New York, To-day.

After a week's search American coastguards have abandoned the search for the Endeavour I, Mr. T. O. M. Sopwith's yacht, which broke away from the steam yacht Vida while being towed to England from Newport, Rhode Island.

The coastguards say they are satisfied that the yacht is nowhere off the American coast, and must either have foundered or weathered the storm and continued to England.—Reuter.

PARIS REPORTS TANGANYIKA REVOLT

Paris, To-day.

Several newspapers in Paris yesterday carried sensational reports of a native revolt in Tangaryika, the former German African colony now under British mandate.

The natives are said to have defied the authorities and to have blown up several coffee depots.

Police reinforcements, it is stated, are being rushed to the area, while hundreds of arrests have already been made.—Trans-Ocean.

SIR LAURENCE GUILLEMARD'S BOOK RECALLED

LONDON, TO-DAY.

SURPRISE HAS BEEN CAUSED BY AN ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE FIRM OF PUBLISHER MESSRS. METHUEN AND CO., RECALLING COPIES OF A NEW BOOK, "TRIVIAL FOND RECORDS," BY SIR LAURENCE GUILLEMARD, A FORMER GOVERNOR OF THE STRAITS SETTLEMENTS.

The book was to have been released for sale on September 23.

It contains reminiscences of the administrative service, and a number of reviews have already appeared in the press.

The publishers have made no statement giving reasons for the recall.—Reuter.

Italian Naval Men In Serious Tunis Clash

Rome, To-day.

A denial that Italian midshipmen were responsible for a recent clash in Tunis, has been made in Rome.

The clash occurred when about 50 midshipmen of two Italian naval training ships, came into conflict with members of the "League for Human Rights."

It is now stated that the trouble followed distribution among the sailors of anti-Fascist pamphlets and statements insulting to Italy.

Three midshipmen were wounded and one member of the League killed.

RECEPTION CANCELLED

By order of the French Resident-General, a reception which was to have been given in honour of the Italian Admiral and his officers, has been cancelled.

Several Italian sailors and midshipmen were arrested, and the two training ships later left the harbour.—Trans-Ocean.

MR. EDEN'S GENEVA OFFER

London, To-day.

The important speech delivered by the Foreign Secretary, Mr. Anthony Eden, before the League Assembly, forms the subject of editorials in most of the London newspapers.

The "Daily Telegraph," referring to Mr. Eden's statement that an agreement between Britain and the United States would offer the best prospects for stabilisation of economic conditions throughout the world, stresses that such co-operation must under no circumstances be realised at the expense of the Empire's policy of preferential tariffs, or to the detriment of Dominion interests.

Regarding the question of the supply of raw materials, the paper opines that the day will doubtless come when discussion on the subject will be opened with Germany.—Trans-Ocean.

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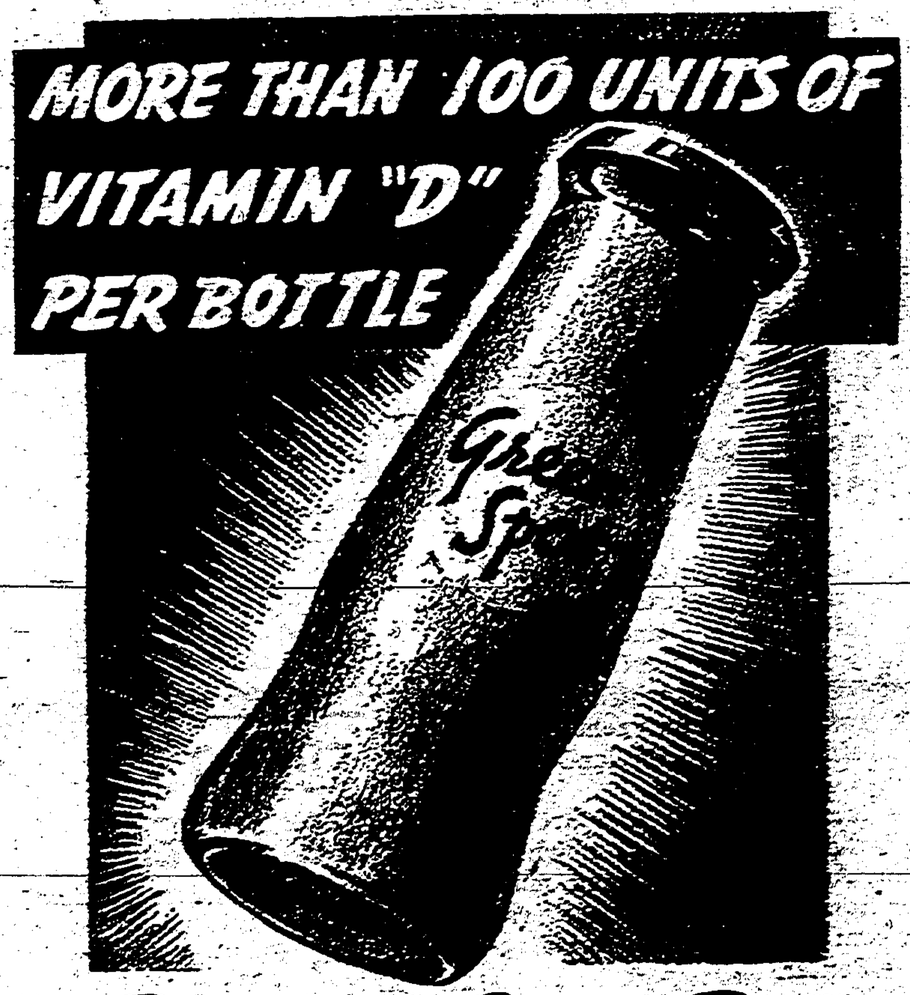

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BRITAIN'S LEAD AT GENEVA

Few there are who will fail to echo most of the sentiments expressed in Mr. Anthony Eden's eloquent speech at Geneva on Monday. War he condemned as both wasteful and futile, conferring no benefit to either victor or vanquished. To the events in the Far East, he referred with a sense of horror and regretted Japan's failure to make the slightest effort towards a settlement by pacific means. As we have already said, few will challenge any of his statements. Yet it is one of the paradoxes of modern civilisation that while by far the greatest proportion of thinking men bitterly deplore war in all its forms, practical resistance is astoundingly small. Never has the moral sense of men revolted more strongly against the crime of war, and never has the slaughter of civilians appeared to meet less effective rebuke, than in this day. The League of Nations and treaties to outlaw war express deep and active aspirations. Yet Shanghai is added to Madrid as Madrid was added to Addis Ababa. And Nanking is threatened with addition to Guernica. Killing, more efficient and more senseless than ever, goes on apparently unchecked.

Indeed, cynics are saying that the world's hypocrisy is bearing fruit, that condemning war and tolerating it, making high professions and forgetting them, signing treaties and ignoring them, only deadens conscience and lessens the moral resistance to war's new horrors. They say the world is becoming "conditioned" to violence even as the children who continue to play among the toppling walls of shell-riddled Chapei.

Such claims must rouse the individual who hopes that the conscience of men will be made effectual in the stopping of strife. He asks himself, "How long can men think one way and act another?" And he knows that they cannot perform any such feat even for an instant. The sincere purposes, the thoughts and intents of the heart, will find expression in effective action. If the world seems now in a period of disillusionment and dismay, it need not remain so.

If it really wishes to have done with war, it will find a way. The anti-war machinery that has failed has not wholly failed. Men have learned something. They know they must begin with their inner-most purposes. As those are purified and spiritualised they will inevitably be expressed in a world having no place for war. And the present moral — in so far as it is truly moral — revolt will find presently effectual means of checking the worst crimes of war. The good men generally wish to do they find ways to do.

This is the category in which the latest British economic offer possibly falls. With important reservations, unfortunately, and so eleventh-hour as verging on the too late, even more unfortunately, Mr. Eden proclaimed the British Government's desire to contribute to world economic appeasement and offered to enter into discussion with any Powers which may approach them for the reduction of particular trade barriers in the Crown Colonies where these can be shown to place undue restrictions on international trade. The offer is made in connection with the raw materials controversy and as far as its goes will be welcomed. The possibility of an enthusiastic response from, say, Germany, however, is exceedingly remote, and no matter from what angle the issue is approached it is difficult to appreciate exactly how such a limited contribution will contribute importantly to the general problem of international trade rehabilitation. The causes are too deep and fundamental for colonial open doors to do more than touch upon the fringes of world economic welfare. It is, however, possible to be too critical. The main point of Mr. Eden's speech was hardly his offer. It was submitted rather as an earnest of British goodwill in her avowed aim of lending all her energies to the task of general appeasement, to extending the general scope of world trade, and to raising the standard of living in all corners of the globe. Made at a time of crisis in human affairs, it would be astonishing if it failed completely to evoke response.

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Dress Control At Oxford

Among interesting survivals of strict dress observance on formal occasions are the regulations for costume at the examinations in Oxford. In these days of dressing as you like Oxford indeed stands like a rock against any experiment. During examinations men still have to wear the black coat and white dress-tie as of old.

Nay, more. The girl fresh from school who is going up for "Responsions" finds in her paper of instructions the command that women candidates must wear a white blouse with black tie, black skirt, black stockings, and black shoes. "Contempt of court," with the terror of expulsion from the examination, evidently carries with it a sanction not worth the risk; and so far in "the home of lost causes" this attempt to impress a herd instinct in the realm of women's dress (if only for a few hours) appears to have been strangely successful.

FOREIGN REPRESENTATIONS AGAINST NANKING BOMBING

United States, Britain And France Take Action

NO REPLY SPECIFICALLY GIVEN, BUT RAID NOT YET CARRIED OUT

Washington, To-day.

The Secretary of State, Mr. Cordell Hull, announced yesterday that the United States has made representations to Tokyo against Japan's announced intention of bombing Nanking.

The protest was based chiefly on grounds that the bombing of non-combatant populations violated international and humanitarian laws.

The United States also protested that the bombing might interfere with normal relations between the United States and Japan by endangering American diplomatic representatives in Nanking.

Mr. Hull added that the United States Ambassador in Nanking, in taking refuge on board the gunboat Luzon with his staff, merely carried out the United States Government's general policy aimed at avoiding exposing its representatives to personal danger in time of emergency.

NOT AWARE BRITAIN TAKING SAME COURSE

When the American protest was made in Tokyo the United States State Department was not aware that a similar course was contemplated by Great Britain, said Mr. Hull.

He added that the United States Ambassador had the discretion to remain on the gunboat, go ashore or establish the Embassy where he thought fit.

NO REPLY

The Japanese Government has not yet given a specific reply to the American representations.—Reuter.

All possible measures have been taken to ensure the safety of those left behind.—Trans-Ocean.

DR. KOO'S LEAGUE WARNING

Highly Dangerous Precedent

Geneva To-day.

Dr. Wellington Koo, chief Chinese delegate to the League, informed the League's Secretary-General yesterday of the Japanese intention to subject Nanking to a mass air raid.

Should an attack of this nature on the capital of a country be tolerated, by the League, he declared, a highly dangerous precedent would be established for aerial warfare.

He urged the League Committee of Twenty-three to take immediate steps to prevent the threatened raid.

The next meeting of the Advisory Committee on the Sino-Japanese conflict is likely to be held on Monday.—Trans-Ocean.

GERMAN EMBASSY TO STAY

All Women Have Left Capital

Shanghai, To-day.

The German Embassy will remain in Nanking, according to informed quarters, until instructions to the contrary should be received from Berlin.

It is stated that reports that the German Embassy had replied to the Japanese bombing warning on lines similar to those of the British, United States and French replies are inexact.

It is added that there has been no necessity under the circumstances for Germany to define her position.

The only Germany nationals still remaining in Nanking are those who are obliged to stay for professional reasons.

FIFTEEN MORE GO

Others, including all women, had previously left the capital for Hankow, Tsingtao and Shanghai, which explains why the German colony in Nanking is now only about 100, of whom fifteen left on Monday evening conformably with the decision of the Embassy.

RAID NOT YET ORDERED

Result Of Foreign Representations?

Shanghai, To-day.

The famous Chinese "Iron General," Chang Fak-wei, is reported by the Japanese to have established himself with three divisions in Pootung and Nantao, south of Shanghai, thus threatening hostilities on a side of Shanghai which, except for air raids, has been comparatively quiet.

Meanwhile the threatened raid by 300 Japanese planes on Nanking has still failed to materialise.

The delay may be connected with the fact that both the British and United States Governments made representations in Tokyo against bombing of non-combatants.—Reuter.

BRITISH WARNING

London, To-day.

Representations have been made in Tokyo by the British Ambassador regarding the threatened bombardment from the air involving other than military objectives in Nanking.

It has been made clear that the British Government reserves the right to hold the Japanese Government responsible for any damage to British lives or property.—British Wireless.

BRITISH TANKER RELEASED

Palma (Majorca), To-day.

The British tanker Burlington has been released after being in the hands of the Nationalists for some time.

The Burlington is proceeding to Gibraltar in ballast.—Reuter.

JAPAN'S REPLY TO BRITAIN'S NOTE

London, To-day.

The final Japanese reply to the British Note protesting against the wounding of the British Ambassador by Japanese airmen, was handed to the British Ambassador in Tokyo, Sir Robert Craigie, yesterday.

It is generally assumed that the Note will be made public simultaneously in London and Tokyo to-morrow (Thursday).

Concerning the contents of the reply, the opinion generally prevails both here and in Tokyo that the demands of the British Government will to a large extent be complied with.—Trans-Ocean.

SEVERE VIEW TAKEN OF U.S. EMBASSY EVACUATION

Washington, To-day.

The "Evening Star," in an editorial on the evacuation of the United States Embassy at Nanking, says "Blame for this ungraceful retreat belongs exclusively to Washington.

"It is more than ungraceful, it is an abject humiliation and it does not become a great Power like the United States.

"It is particularly unpalatable because it takes place under duress and because up to the latest accounts, other countries like Great Britain, France, Russia, Germany and Italy have decided to carry on at Nanking."—Reuter.

Marshal Badoglio In Berlin

Berlin, To-day.

Marshal Badoglio arrived in Berlin yesterday afternoon.

The Italian commander will stay in Berlin for a very short while and will then proceed to Mecklenberg to attend the annual German Army manoeuvres.—Trans-Ocean.

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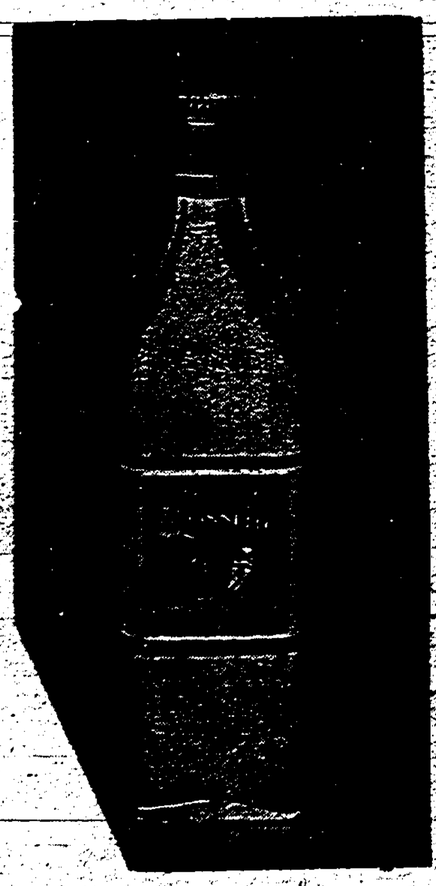

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Cheungchau HarbourRaid Incident

One of the two Revenue officers, who together with three other Chinese, are charged with robbing Mak Fuk-wah, junk master, of $1,000 in the Cheung Chau Harbour on June 26, related his version of the raid before Sir Atholl MacGregor at the Criminal Sessions this morning.

Ho Fuk-sin, second accused, stated that he had been stationed for two years at Cheung Chau. At about 5.30 p.m. on June 26, he and the fourth accused left his quarters and met first accused, who was accompanied by the third and fifth accused. Witness was told that a junk had arrived in harbour with dutiable tobacco and wine on board.

DID NOT SEE CUPBOARD

They all boarded the junk and after informing the owner of the purpose of their visit and producing their credentials, they were allowed to search the junk. Witness and the fourth accused went down the hold. After searching the hold for about 20 minutes without success they came up.

Witness said he did not see a cupboard. He did not hear first accused demand $2,000 from the owner, and did not see first accused produce either gun or handcuffs. Witness said there was no truth in the allegation that they robbed the owner of $1,000.

Cross-examined by Mr. Wyatt, witness said he left his quarters at 5.30 p.m. to patrol the streets. It was by accident that he met first accused and his companions.

DID NOT SEARCH CABINS

Asked why he did not search the cabins, witness replied that the search depended on what kind of contraband they were searching for. Wine was usually contained in large jars, and these could onl be hidden under the planks at the bottom of the hold.

Witness continued that one jar contained about 24 catties of wine, and, even assuming that there was a cupboard, which he did not notice, and also assuming the cupboard was the size complainant alleged it to be, it was not possible to hide jars of wine in it.

Witness only came to know that the informer was an ex-employee of the junk after his arrest.

The case is continuing.

ADMIRALTY TUG STOPPED NR: GAP ROCK

It is officially learned that the Naval auxiliary tug St. Monace, flying the White Ensign, was halted and questioned by a Japanese cruiser at 2 p.m. yesterday near Gap Rock lighthouse, to which she was taking stores and reliefs.

The warship sent a boat alongside and questioned the officer in charge as to the tug's destination. Having satisfied himself, the Japanese officer withdrew and the tug was allowed to proceed.

The incident is under investigation.

It is learned that the Japanese officer desired to know whether Gap Rock was a British possession and whether it was manned by Europeans. The cruiser later steamed off.

TOKYO BANS U.S. FILMS

Tokyo, To-day.

Pursuant to the war economy law for adjustment of the trade balance, adopted by the Imperia Diet, the Ministry of Finance has issued a decree forbidding the import of foreign films.

The decree comes into force at the beginning of next year.—Trans-Ocean.

TOKYO'S "NO"

Tokyo, 2 p.m. To-day.

The Japanese Government has decided to reject the invitation to attend the League's Advisory Committee of 23.—Our Own Correspondent.

Britain's Business Leaders Discuss Far East

London, To-day.

The Far Eastern section of the London Chamber of Commerce, at a largely attended meeting yesterday, closely examined a variety of matters in which the Sino-Japanese conflict is injuring British business.

Two committees of importers and exporters were appointed to keep track of the many complications daily arising.

Various recommendations were adopted with a view to combining them in a common policy to be evolved at the joint conference of all British trade interests, called by the Federation of British Industries for September 29.

The meeting decided to ask the Foreign Office to press for immediate compensation where property is occupied by the belligerents, whether alleged temporarily occupied or more or less permanently requisitioned.

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It also agreed to send to the Foreign Office a suggestion that the British consuls at foreign ports to which cargoes might be diverted should be requested to watch the question of storage charges.

The Foreign Office will also be asked to try and reach an arrangement with the Japanese to enable merchandise in godowns within the Japanese lines north of Shanghai to be removed wherever practicable.—Reuter.

ITALY AND NYON PATROL PLAN

Rome, To-day.

An official communique announcing Italy's acceptance of the proposed conference of British, French and Italian naval experts in Paris "to determine modifications of a practical nature to be made to the Nyon arrangements for the purpose of permitting Italian participation," says that the British and French charges d'affaires stated that the British and French Governments never failed to recognise Italy's position as a great Mediterranean Power.

The communique adds that the Fascist Government has kept the Government of the Reich informed of the present phase of the situation.—Reuter.

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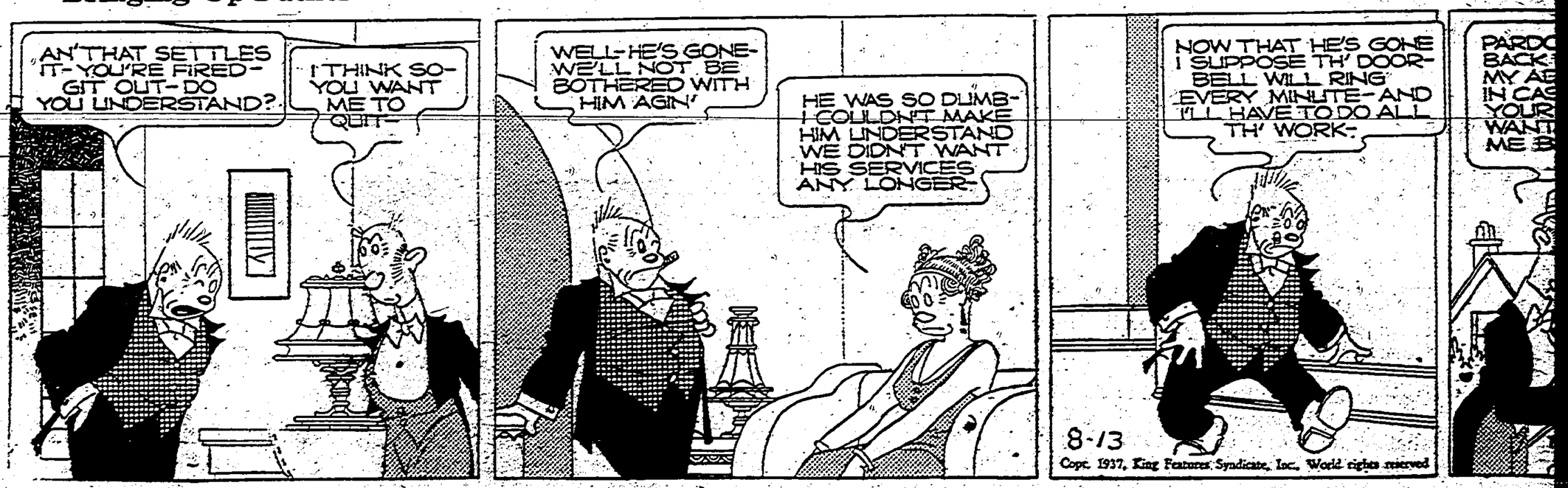

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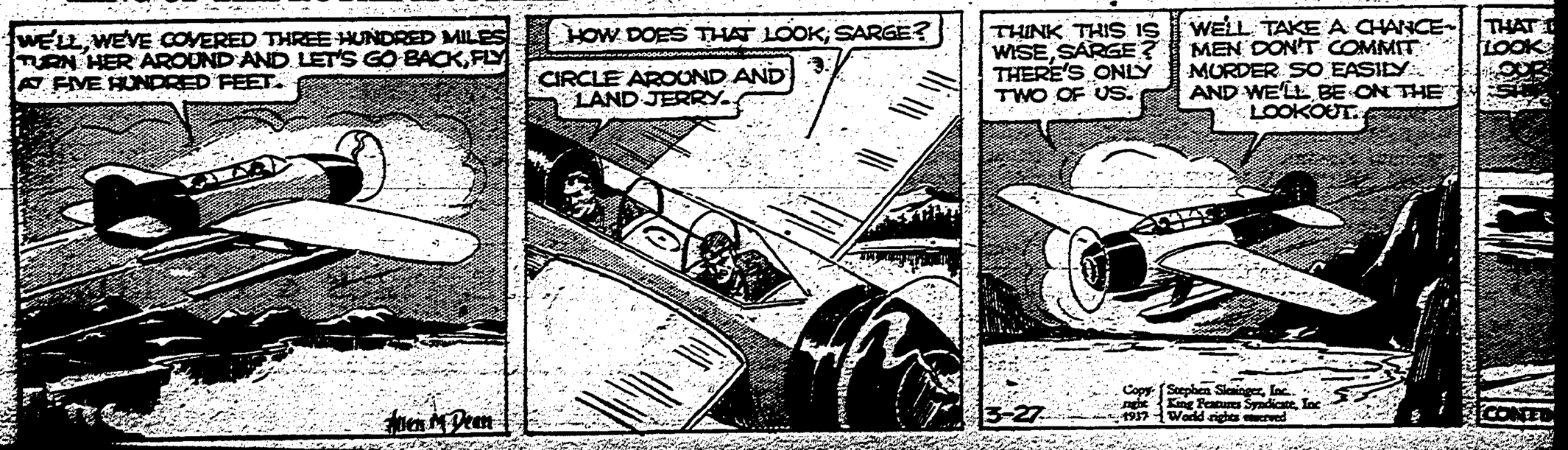

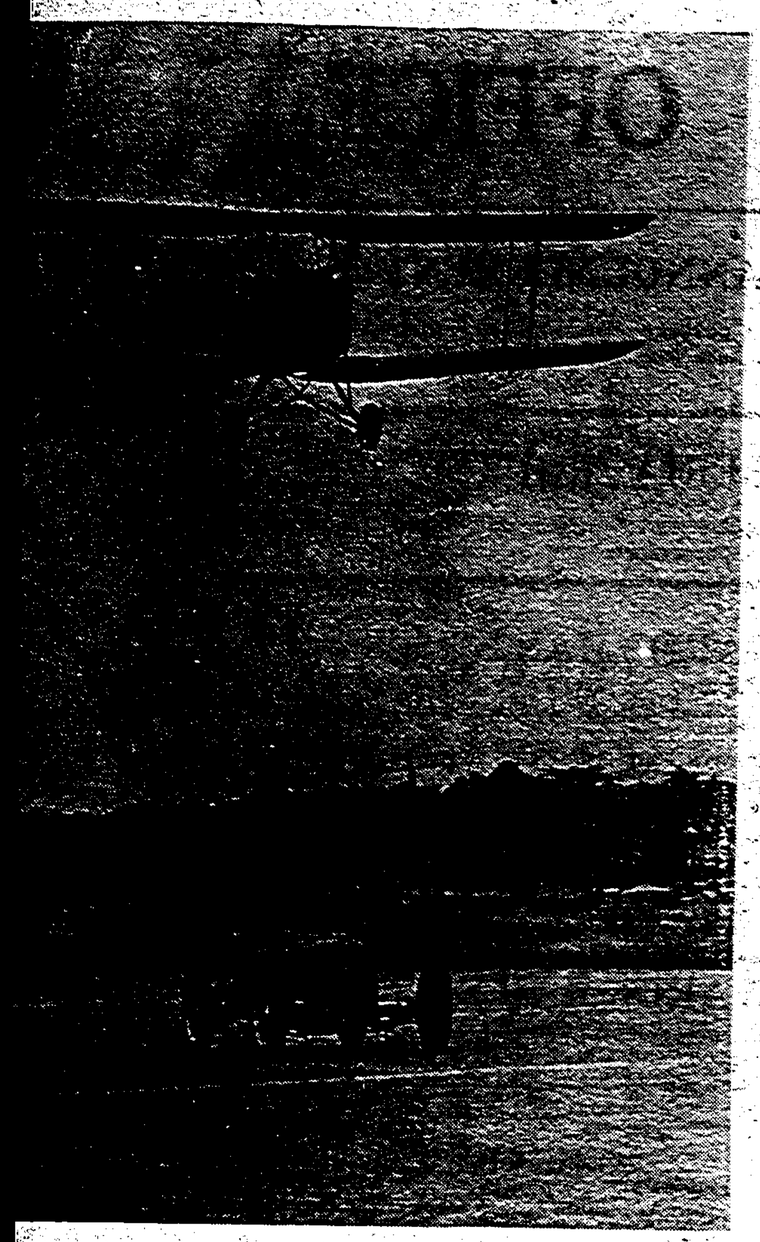

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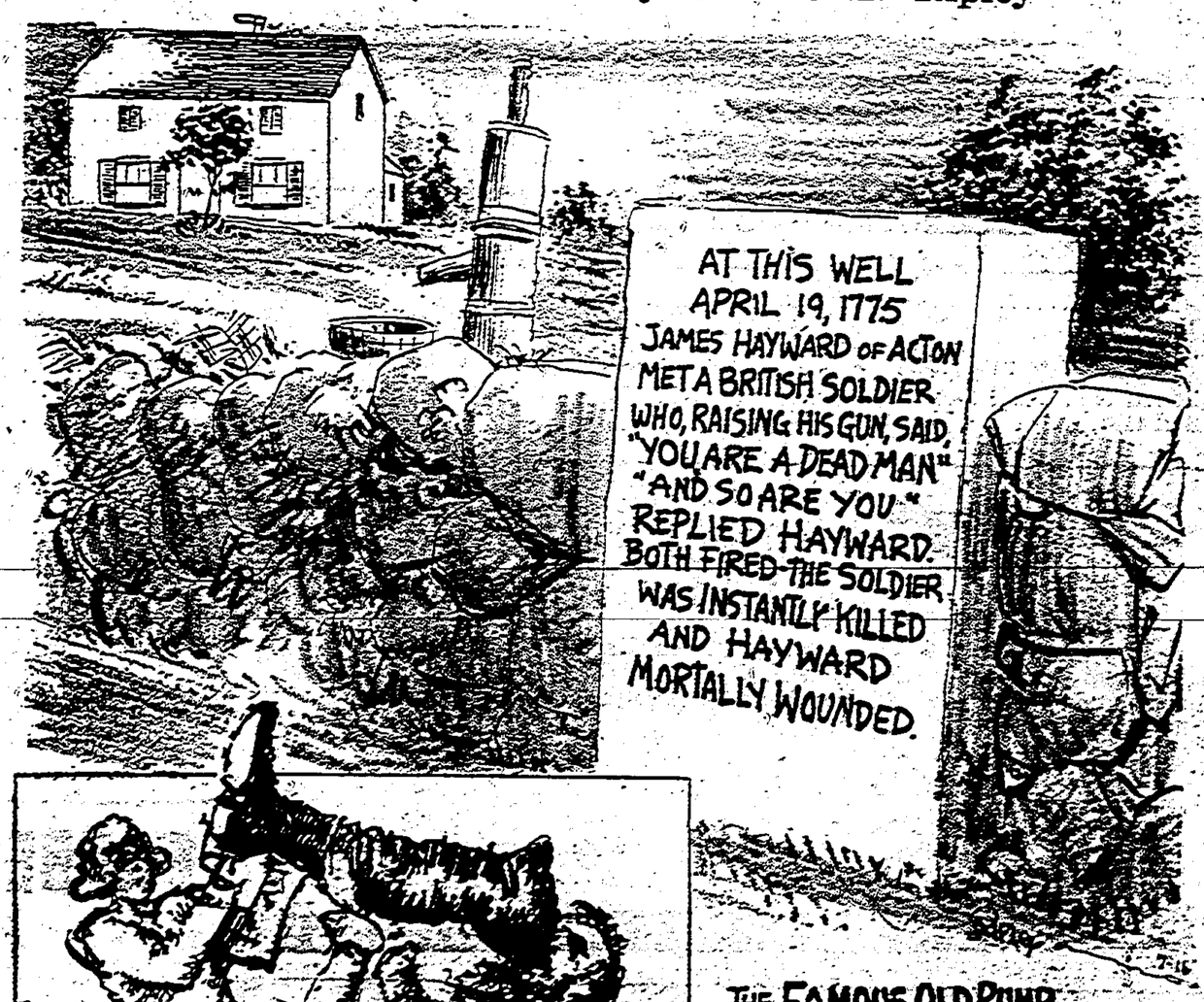

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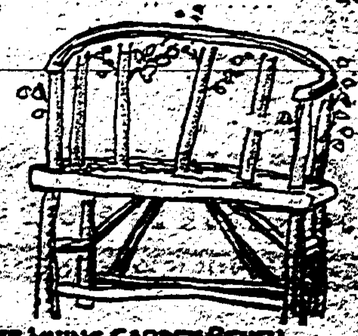

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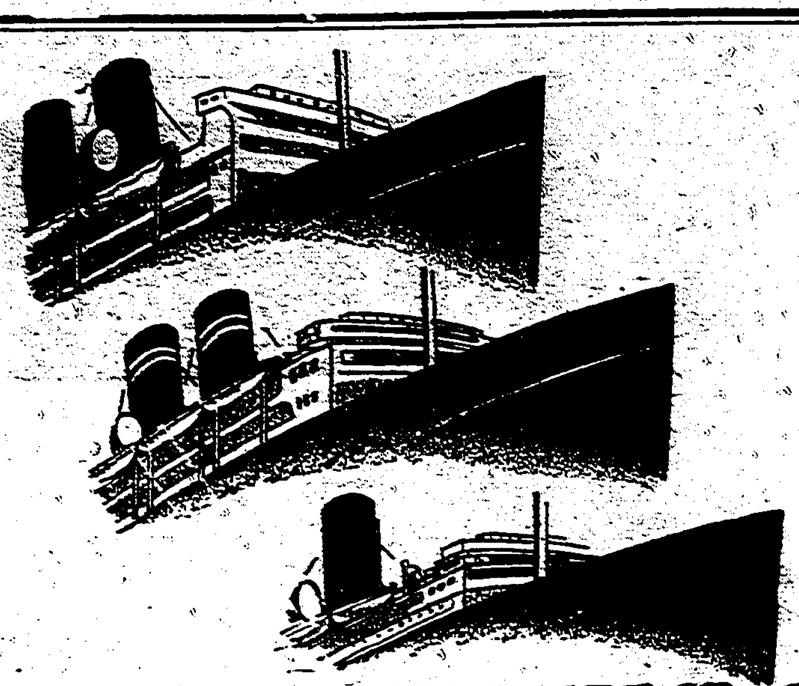

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Pres. Coolidge	10.00 a.m.	Nov. 13	Pres. Grant	Midnight Nov. 5
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Pres. Monroe	8.00 a.m.	Oct. 24	Pres. Jefferson	6.00 p.m.	Oct. 2
Pres. Adams	8.00 a.m.	Nov. 7	Pres. Hoover	9.00 p.m.	Oct. 8
Pres. Harrison	8.00 a.m.	Nov. 21	Pres. Hayes	8.00 a.m.	Oct. 10
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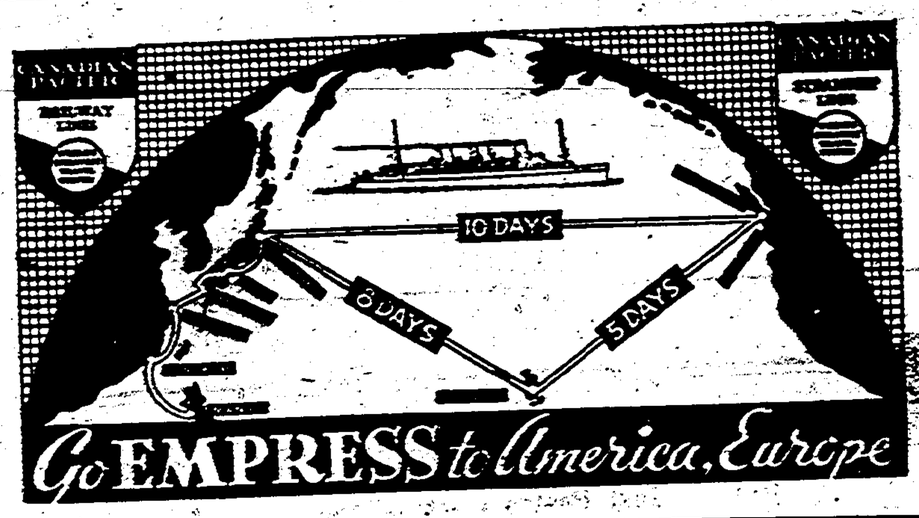

Empress of	Hong Kong Leave	Shanghai Arrive	Nagasaki Leave	Kobe Leave	Yokohama Leave	Honolulu Leave	Vancouver Victoria Arrive
Japan	Oct. 1	—	—	Oct. 6	Oct. 8	Oct. 14	Oct. 19
Asia	Oct. 15	—	Oct. 19	Oct. 21	Oct. 23	—	Nov. 1
Canada	Oct. 29	—	—	Nov. 3	Nov. 5	Nov. 12	Nov. 17

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Teheran, To-day.

The Iranian Government has issued a decree compelling all industrial and business enterprises in Iran, including branches of foreign firms established in the country, to use henceforth exclusively the Iranian language alike for book-keeping and correspondence.

Business houses which have not done so hitherto must comply with the new decree from January 1, 1938, at the latest.

Under the terms of the same decree, visiting cards of Iranian citizens may no longer be printed in two languages but only in Iranian.

Medical prescriptions must also in future be written solely in Iranian, exceptions, however, being authorised in the case of technical terms for which there is no equivalent in Iranian.—Trans-Ocean.

FAIR WEATHER

The Royal Observatory reported this morning that a weak anticyclone is moving eastward across Japan; pressure is relatively low in a trough extending from Indo-China to the Pacific east of the Philippines.

Local forecast:—E. winds, moderate; fair.

LOCAL SHARE MARKET

Following is the list of changes and enquiries in local share quotations this morning:—

SHIPPING
Douglases $48¼ b.
Indo-Chinas (Def.) $51 b.
Indo-Chinas (Def.) $43 b.
Union Waterboats $9.30 b.
LANDS, HOTELS & BLDGS.
Chinese Estates $88 b.
PUBLIC UTILITIES
Peak Trams (Old) $5 b.
Peak Trams (New) $2½ b.
STORES, &C.
Wm. Powell, Ltd. 40 cts. b.
MISCELLANEOUS
Constructions (Old) $1.60 b.
Constructions (New) $1.00 b.
H. K. Govt. 3½% Loan 1½% Prm. b.

LOCAL DOLLAR

The demand rate of the Hong Kong dollar this morning was 1/2 7/8.

"Spot" silver was quoted at 19-13/16 and "forward" at 19-11/16.

The London on New York cross-rate was quoted at £—U.S.$4.9560 and the New York on London cross-rate at £—U.S.$4.95¾.

Singapore Raw Rubber

Messrs. H. B. Joseph and Co., have received the following quotations from Singapore in Straits Currency for Raw Rubber:

Spot 29¾ b. unchanged.
Jan/March 30⅝ b. unchanged.
Oct/Dec. 30⅛ b. unchanged.
Market:—Steady.

The R.M.S. "Empress of Asia" left Vancouver for Hong Kong, via Japan ports on the 18th September is due at Hong Kong on the 7th October and is due to leave for Manila the same evening.

The R. M. S. "Empress of Japan" (from Vancouver via Japan ports) is due here at 6.00 a.m. to-morrow and will berth at Kowloon Wharf. She is due to sail for Manila at 7.00 p.m. the same day.

ABNORMAL H.K. TRADE FIGURES

Influenced By Diversions Of Shanghai Goods?

The Import and Exports Department (Statistical Branch) reports that the combined values of imports and exports of merchandise as declared during the month of August, 1937 totalled $93.9 millions (£5.8 millions) as compared with $57.6 millions (£3.6 millions) in August, 1936.

In terms of local currency the total visible trade of the Colony increased by 63.0% in August, 1937 as compared with August, 1936, and by 61.1% in terms of sterling.

Imports of Merchandise totalled $55.7 millions (£3.4 millions) as compared with $32.1 millions £2.0 millions), and exports $38.2 millions (£2.4 millions) as compared with $25.5 millions (£1.6 millions).

Imports increased by 73.5% in terms of local currency, and by 70.0% in terms of sterling. Exports increased by 49.8% in terms of local currency, and by 50.0% in terms of sterling.

During the first eight months of 1937 imports of merchandise totalled $392.3 millions (£24.2 millions) as compared with $280.8 millions (£18.0 millions) in the corresponding period of 1936, and exports $293.3 millions (£18.1 millions) as compared with $215.1 millions (£13.8 millions).

Imports increased by 39.7% in terms of local currency, and by 34.4% in terms of sterling; whilst exports increased by 36.4% in terms of local currency, and by 31.2% in terms of sterling.

Beirut, To-day.

It is stated here that Ihsan Djabri, brother of the Syrian Minister of the Interior, has been appointed first representative in Pari of the Syrian Republic under the terms of the Franco-Syrian Treaty. —Trans-Ocean.

The s.s. "Jeypore" left Moji on Saturday and is due here to-day at about 3 p.m.

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BOWLS INTERPORT CANCELLED

SHANGHAI REGRET DECISION

LOCAL SEASON SHORTENED

After several weeks of speculation, definite information has now been received in Hong Kong from Shanghai that the Lawn Bowls Interport for 1937 has been cancelled.

Mr. C. B. Hosking, Hon. Secretary of the Hong Kong L.B.A., yesterday received the following telegram on behalf of the Association —"Greatly regret must call Interport off, Ephgrave." Mr. Ephgrave is Hon. Secretary of the Shanghai Association.

Originally the Shanghai team intended to leave on October 5, arrive here on October 7 and stay fc about a week.

NEVER ANNOUNCED

A tentative programme had already been drawn up by local officials, but in view of the uncertainty regarding the visit it was never announced.

The decision of the Shangha players not to come here means that the local season will be shortened. The Aitkenhead Shield match between Hong Kong and Kowloon has been fixed for next Saturda week, and will be the last official fixture of the Association.

A dinner will be held on a date yet to be announced to wind up the current season.

K.C.C. TENNIS VICTORY OVER I.R.C.

'A' DIVISION LEAGUE ENCOUNTER

In the only "A" Division Lawn Tennis League encounter played yesterday, Kowloon Cricket Club entertained Indian Recreation Club at Cox's Road and won comfortably by 5½ sets to 3½, H. D. Rumjahn and A. H. Madar being the pick of the visiting pairs.

G. Bodiker and E. C. Fincher (K.C.C.).

beat S. A. Rumjahn and S. A. Ismail	6—4
beat H. D. Rumjahn and A. H. Madar	7—5
lost to A. R. Minu and I. M. A. Razack	3—6

W. M. Gittins and E. F. Fincher (K.C.C.).

drew with Rumjahn and Ismail	6—3
lost to Rumjahn and Madar	4—6
beat Minu and Razack	6—4

A. Crawford and A. E. P. Guest (K.C.C.).

beat Rumjahn and Ismail	6—3
lost to Rumjahn and Madar	2—6
beat Minu and Razack	6—2

FINAL NEXT SUNDAY

The Gutierrez International Shield final between India and England will be played on Club de Recreio's green next Sunday, commencing at 3.30 p.m.

C.R.C.-VARSITY MATCH CANCELLED

Owing to the wet state of the courts, the "A" Division tennis match between the Chinese Recreation Club and University was postponed yesterday.

Fus. Rowlands, above, made his debut as Kowloon seniors' soccer goalkeeper against the Middlesex Regiment in yesterday's friendly encounter.

MIDDLESEX DEFEAT KOWLOON IN FRIENDLY SOCCER

S. SOUZA RETURNS TO THE GAME

PEARSON AND SAW AGAIN PROMINENT

The Kowloon Football Club had their first serious try-out yesterday when they entertained the Middlesex Regiment on their ground and lost by the odd goal in three, after sharing two goals at the interval, but it must be said that the brilliant display of Rowlands, in goal, saved them from a heavier defeat.

The soldiers were the faster team and much better in their tackling and their distribution than the Civilians, but their forwards made the error of trying to pass Rowlands with high shots, whereas grounders might have had better effect.

Everest was partnered by S. Souza, former St. Joseph's captain, who retired from the game two seasons ago, and, in spite of being away from the game so long, he played a good game, though he still lacked understanding with O'Connor, his half-back. Everest was sure in his kicking, but his positioning could be improved and his covering of Honnibal was not of the best.

HALF-BACKS EXTENDED

The Kowloon intermediate line consisting of Honnibal, Bliss and O'Connor had a trying time against the Middlesex forwards. O'Connor was the best, Honnibal, at right-half, being inclined to overkick his forwards, while he did not pay very much attention to passing the ball to an unmarked forward.

Coakley, on the right-wing, started very indifferently, but improved immensely in the second half. His turn of speed in the latter period enabled him to shake off the attentions of Courtney, and he consequently was able to send over some good centres. Evans worked hard both at centre forward and inside-right, but lack of understanding with the other forwards nullified many good movements.

CENTRE-FORWARD TOO SLOW

Bulpin was much too slow for the centre-forward position, and was invariably robbed by Sheehan, the opponents', pivot, but in the inside position he fared better and was seen in many good combined moves with Coakley, coming near to scoring on occasions. Ulrich on the left-wing, lacked experience against Williams and Jackson and rarely sent over any good centres. He was over anxious in getting rid of the ball and missed a good opportunity of equalising near the end of the game when he shot wide when favourably placed.

The soldiers were the faster team, and this factor enabled them to have more of the play. As usual Pearson and Saw were the greatest menace to the Kowloon defence. The former kept Bliss on the move throughout the game, while Saw often had Honnibal in difficulties.

Jackson and Watson were safe backs, both being very useful with their heads and their strong clearances, while behind them Coppard was safe. His anticipation and positioning when clearing high shots being a feature of his game.

KOWLOON SCORE FIRST

Kowloon opened the scoring through Evans from a penalty and after Rowlands had brought off several good saves Britton sent in a first-timer which gave him no chance.

Pearson scored the winning goal in the second period when he neatly tricked both backs and placed the ball well out of Rowlands's reach.

Kowloon should be well satisfied with their performance and with a few changes should have a well-balanced team which should go a long way in the First Division.

Kowloon:—Rowlands; Everest and Souza; Honnibal, Bliss and O'Connor; Coakley, Evans, Bulpin, V. White and Ulrich.

Middlesex:—Coppard; Jackson and Watson; Williams, Sheekan and Courtney; Freshwater, Croomer, Pearson, Saw and Britton.

CLOSE RACES IN HONG KONG AREA AQUATIC HEATS

MIDDLESEX MAKE THEIR PRESENCE FELT

THREE INDIVIDUAL DIVING FINALISTS

(By "Crawl")

ALTHOUGH the absence of the Royal Welch Fusiliers and the Royal Ulster Rifles in Shanghai has affected the Hong Kong Area Swimming Championships insofar as talent, yesterday's qualifying heats produced some very close races, the Middlesex Regiment, newly arrived from Singapore, providing several surprises, particularly in the Diving in which they secured third, fourth and fifth places, individually, and won the team event.

There was some very good swimming in the 100 Yards brest stroke in which Pte. Hughes of the R.A.M.C., was the best performer, and should enter the Colony Championships for the useful experience he may possibly gain from it.

In spite of the fact that Lieut. J. M. Calvert, one of their best swimmers, is at present in Shanghai, the Fortress Co. Royal Engineers qualified in their heat for the Inter-Brigade Battalion Relay.

The 220 Yards free-style should see an interesting race this afternoon with Gnr. Seary, of the 5th Anti-Aircraft Brigade the favourite.

The finals will commence this afternoon at 2.15 p.m. and His Excellency the General Officer Commanding the Troops, Major General A. W. Bartholomew, has promised to attend.

The following will compete in the finals at 2.15 p.m. to-day:

Inter-Company Battery Relay.—7th. A. A. Battery, R. A.; "D" Company 2nd. Middlesex; "B" Company 2nd. Middlesex; 9th. A. A. Battery R. A.

Enlisted Boys' Race.—Boy Findlay, R.U.R.; Boy Hilden, R.W.F.; Boy Evans, R.W.F.; Boy Galloway, 1st Seaforths.

100 Yards, Free Style.—Lieut. Barron, R.E.; Gnr. Jolly, 5th. A.A. Brigade; Pte. Stemp, 2nd. Middlesex; L/Bdr. Folkard, 5th. A.A. Brigade.

Indian Relay Race.—H.K.S.R.A.; 1st. Kumaon Rifles.

Inter-Brigade Battalion Medley Race.—2nd. Middlesex; 1st. Seaforths; Fortress Co., R.E.; 5th. A.A. Brigade, R.A.

High Diving.—8th. Heavy Brigade; 5th. A.A. Brigade; 1st. Seaforths; 2nd. Middlesex; Fortress Co., R.E.; 27th. Company, R.A.M.C.

220 Yards Championship. — Cpl. Craig, 1st. Seaforths; L/Sgt. Dibben, 5th. A.A. Brigade; Gnr. Hobson, 5th. A.A.; Gnr. Seary, 5th. A.A.

Army Boys' Handicap Race. — J. Dovey, T. Stanton, G. Stanton, E. Bland, F. Morris, E. Leeves.

Inter-Brigade Battalion Relay.—Fortress Co., R.E.; 2nd. Middlesex; 5th. A.A. Brigade, R.A.; 1st. Seaforths.

50 Yards Free Style (Indian).—3rd. Battery, H.K.S.R.A.; 1st. Battery, H.K.S.R.A.; H.Q. 1st. Kumaon Rifles; 4th. Battery, H.K.S.R.A.

100 Yards Back Stroke.—Gnr. Hutchinson, 8th. Heavy Brigade, R.A.; Gnr. Oliver, 5th. A.A. Brigade; Pte. Harris, R.A.M.C.; L/Bdr. Lucas, 5th. A.A.

100 Yards Breast Stroke. — Pte. Hughes, R.A.M.C.; Gnr. Wilson, 8th. Heavy Brigade, R.A.; Pte. Harris, R.A.M.C.; Pte. Wain, 1st. Seaforths; L/Cpl. McDonald, 1st. Seaforths.

50 Yards Dash.—Sgt. Bilton, 5th. A.A. Brigade; L/Bdr. Folkard, 5th. A.A. Brigade; Lieut. Barron, R.E.; L/Bdr. Ogden, 5th. A.A. Brigade; Gnr. Wilson, 5th. A.A. Brigade; Pte. Birks, 1st. Seaforths.

WHAT OF THE BRITISH WALKER CUP?

TOPSY-TURVY FORM OF THE BRITISH AMATEURS

YOUTH MUST BE GIVEN A CHANCE

(By "NIBLICK")

THE sands of the golf season are running fairly fast now, and in next to no time the internationals and the Irish Open Amateur Championship will be over and done with and we will be into the winter days of retrospection.

IT HAS, TAKEN ALL OVER, BEEN A RATHER TOPSY-TURVY SEASON, WITH VERY FEW "HORSES" RUNNING TRUE TO FORM. HENRY COTTON, WITH HIS VICTORY IN THE OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP, IS ONE OF THE FEW, AND SINCE HIS SUCCESS AT CARNOUSTIE HE HAS SIMPLY GONE FROM STRENGTH TO STRENGTH. HIS EFFORT IN THE GERMAN OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP WAS A SENSATIONAL ONE, AND AT THE TIME OF WRITING I SEE HE IS MAKING A GREAT BID TO CAPTURE THE CZECHOSLOVAKIAN TITLE.

Without any doubt Cotton is our man of the year, just as we expected him to be. He is the star above all other stars in the British golfing firmament. It is a pity that we have no amateur sharing the honours with Cotton. With Robert Sweeny winning the British title at Sandwich, we are without a leader, or appear to be, for the Walker Cup match next year.

The British side for the encounter with the amateurs of America is going to cause a lot of speculation in the winter months. Personally I find it hard to place even four players as more or less certainties for the team.

LAST YEAR'S SIDE

Just take a look at the men who went over to America last year. Jack M'Lean, has turned professional; Hector Thomson has never once touched his top form; Gordon Peters gave us a glimpse of his for a spell at Sandwich, but since then has been a fading light, J. M. Dykes has not taken part in anything of note apart from a few tournaments in the West of Scotland.

These four Scots were all members of the Walker Cup team. And what of the Englishmen who crossed the Atlantic? What of Lucas, Langley, Hill, the Irishman Ewing, and the others? Have they done anything? Not to my knowledge.

MOST PERPLEXING

It is all a most perplexing business, and though some may hold that light may be shed on the subject at the internationals in Ireland next month, the fact remains that after the series and the Irish championship there is a long spell when no one's form can be taken on trust.

In the internationals I think Scotland will hold her own with any of the other countries. The team, although not all some people would have had it, is a well-balanced one in many ways and, man for man, should be able to account for any of the other countries.

WEMYSS AND ROBERTS

Regarding Edinburgh's two representatives in the side I was rather amused to see someone writing that they would make a very useful ready-made partnership. I asked David Wemyss about it, and he told me that he had never played with George Roberts as his partner in a foursome. My advice on the point is the old typewriter line—"Now is the time for all good men—" for it is not unlikely that the pair will find themselves bracketed together when they go out to do battle at Portmarnock.

During the week I was out at Davidson's Mains watching practice in progress for the Boys' Championship, which begins over the course of the Bruntsfield Links Society on Tuesday, and once again I was amazed at the confident ability of these youngsters.

"I WAS AMAZED"

When I was sitting out at the ninth green three successive games went past in each of which one member of the party was out in 34. Now those who know Bruntsfield Links know just what kind of golf that represents, and it was not a case of practise golf with putts being conceded. The boys were playing a card and pencil round in connection with the international trials.

Unlike many people I have always had a soft side for the Boy's Championship. The actual championship may have points that are open to criticism—it does not do some boys any good to get more than their share of publicity—but, on the whole, I think it is a good thing.

VALUE OF BOY'S CHAMPIONSHIP

In the first place it brings these boys together for a fortnight—the majority of them have almost a week's practice—and they form friendships which last a long time. Take, for instance, the case of a

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Much regret has been felt at the non-entry of Wilfred Lawrence, the Colony swimming champion, above, in the annual championships which will be held under the auspices of the V.R.C. in the near future.

ENGLAND STILL SEEKS AN OPENING PAIR?

BARNETT'S EXPERIENCES IN AUSTRALIA WASTED

(By "NOT OUT")

SYDNEY, AUGUST 26.

ENGLAND IS STILL ENDEAVOURING TO CREATE AN OPENING PAIR FOR THE TESTS WITH AUSTRALIA NEXT SEASON. THE LOSS OF C. F. WALTERS, THROUGH ILL HEALTH, AFTER HIS 1934 EFFORTS, WAS RANK BAD LUCK TO THE MAN AND TO ENGLAND. HOWEVER, AUSTRALIA IS NOT OVER SANGUINE ABOUT HAVING AN ESTABLISHED OPENING PAIR. FINGLETON ONE — WHO IS THE OTHER?

In J. H. Fingleton there is one tried and successful in every condition of cricket. We had thought that W. A. Brown was definitely his mate on form in South Africa. But inexplicable stonewalling last season has provided him with something difficult to shake off — a sort of hoodoo.

If Brown succeeds in that task he will regain his position as colleague of Fingleton. But no one can be sanguine on that score. His cricket was so utterly illogical that it became the surprise of the season.

England's experiments in the New Zealand Tests have not been satisfactory. Barnett was not tried as the man to open. And the Yorkshire colt, L. Hutton, has yet to become salted in this class of cricket. His century in the second match was heartening to the selectors. But his other four innings were lean, viz., 0, 1, 14, and 12. He'll make good, no doubt. But until he does, the position will remain clouded.

HARD-HITTERS WHO WON

An old and successful idea was to partner a brilliant attacking batsman with one of slower type. The combination was often successful. H. H. Massie and Alick Bannerman, at the Oval in 1882, and Jack Lyons and Alick Bannerman, in Sydney in 1892, were outstanding examples in the Test field.

Barnett, as the dasher, and Hutton as the plodder, might develop into the right blend against Australia next season. Barnett's innings in Tests out here were 69, 26, 57, 11, 23, 129, 21, 18, and 41.

With his opening partners failing to keep him company for any time worth mentioning, his form was splendid; more so for a first tour in Australia.

KNOCKS SHINE OFF BALL

Patsy Hendren, in "Reynolds' News," specifically advocates Barnett. One thought he had become established on the Australian tour as one of the opening pair. He looked the part here, aggressive, confident, and not afraid of either his luck, or the bowling—though, perhaps, a bit jumpy against the real fast stuff.

"Folk tell me" (writes the old Middlesex champion) "that Barnett is not the ideal No. 1. I am inclined to agree, at the moment, but a Jack Hobbs can't be produced like a conjurer produces an egg from his elbow. Barnett did quite well in Australia, and should be given every opportunity of improving. He hits the ball hard, which is a very good thing in an opening batsman.

"I'll explain why—because this is a point frequently overlooked.

"A batsman who hits the ball hard takes the polish off that new ball quicker than the batsman who pats it. Barnett, as No. 1, would have got on with it, and the effective spell of the opening bowlers would have been shortened."

MEN WHO HIT BALL

There has been only one Hobbs for England. One of the opening batsman should be a punisher. When Hobbs—a shade past his best—and Sutcliffe opened for England, and were wonders in combination, they did not make runs fast. But, whether fast or slow, Hobbs was always attractive.

With wickets so greatly improved in England since the war-end, there is no reason why pottering should be indulged in to the extent that prevails there. Out here wickets are no better than they were forty years ago.

Along the years England possessed many opening batsmen of the highest standing and fighting spirit. W. G. Grace, A. E. Stoddart, and A. C. MacLaren were great men. C. F. Walters and Tom Hayward were splendid. Though Hayward could be as patient as Sutcliffe, he did not wait for the long-hop, and did not push the ripe half-volley. He cracked it.

PAYNTER DID IT

When Committee Ordered Brighter Play

Lancashire County committee made a bold move for brighter cricket. Before the match with Warwickshire at Old Trafford the players were called together. They were told that the committee insisted on brighter play.

The spokesman said: "Slow play which featured the Yorkshire match must stop. It will do the game great harm if continued. We ask you to do your best in this match. Hit the ball instead of trying stonewall tactics."

The result was recorded in letters of gold last week.

Little Paynter, the natty left-hander, with sparkle in his drives, made his before-luncheon century, to hit up over 300, and the side over 600 in the day against Sussex.

With D. R. Jardine's team Paynter topped the Test batting, averaging 61.33. His best were breezy innings of 77 at Adelaide, and 83 at Brisbane.

SIR M. CAMPBELL HAS NARROW ESCAPE

Locarno, August 20.

Sir Malcolm Campbell had a narrow escape this evening when speeding through the water at over 100 miles an hour in his new speed-boat, Bluebird, he almost ran into some fishing-nets.

Bluebird was given a thorough testing, and it was while he was going all out that Sir Malcolm saw what he thought was a fishing boat. Glancing round, he discovered that fishing nets, supported by empty petrol tins, had been cast in the vicinity.

Sir Malcolm said that he was very satisfied with to-day's trials.—Reuter.

ON THE BOWLING GREEN

Scot Wins English Championship

(By JACK HIGH)

Glasgow, August 21.

At the finish of the English B. A. single-handed championship last Saturday at Paddington, London, it came as a surprise to many to learn that the winner, William Prentice, is a Scotsman, being a native of Lanark, where he learned the game under James Brown, twice Scottish champion.

Prentice, who is a member of Zetland club, Redcar, Yorkshire, defeated J. Cranshaw, Cheltenham, by 21—12 in the third round. In the semi-final he defeated Jack G. Pilbrow, the 22-years-old Middlesex champion, by 21—18.

As in nearly all his matches during the tournament, Prentice had an early deficit in the final against H. P. Webber (Torbay Country Club, Devon), but he pulled up, and triumphed at the 22nd end by seven shots, 21-14.

YORKS ON TOP

This is the second time in three years that the championship has gone to Yorkshire, the other occasion being in 1935, when another Scot, William Linton, of Smith's Dock club, Middlesbrough, a native of Fushiebridge, Midlothian, gained the honour. James G. Carruthers, the Dumfrieshire player and English internationalist, is again in the news, having won the championship of Muswell Hill for the fourteenth time; while Mrs. H. Murphy (Blackhall), president of the Scottish and secretary of the East of Scotland Women's B.A., reached the final in the Bournemouth open tournament, being defeated by Mrs. Cordoll (New Milton) 21-17.

HARDCOURT TENNIS SEMI-FINALS

Programme Subject To Confirmation

Subject to confirmation by the Tennis Sub-Committee of the United Services Recreation Club, the following programme of Semi-Final Round encounters in the Hardcourt Championships at present being held under their auspices, will be held:

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 25

Doubles-Top Half

S. A. Rumjahn and H. D. Rumjahn v. A. L. Sullivan and L. Goldman.

Singles-Top Half

Tsui Wai-pui or A. Crawford v. E. C. Fincher.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 26

Doubles-Bottom Half

A. V. Remedios and J. Gonsalves v. Tsui Wai-pui and W. C. Hung.

Singles-Bottom Half

S. A. Rumjahn or A. L. Sullivan v. H. D. Rumjahn.

LANCASHIRE PLAYERS' MOVES

London, August 19.

South Shields Cricket Club yesterday appointed F. J. Booth, the Lancashire County player, as professional in succession to Albert Howell. Last season, Booth's bowling analysis for Lancashire was 47 wickets for 1,124 runs.

Frank Watson, the other Lancashire County player, is joining the Northern Club, Liverpool, on Saturday. He may be appointed professional.

SECOND H.K.H.C. PRACTICE

The Second Hong Kong Hockey Club practice game will take place to-day at 5 p.m. on the Club Ground.

The following teams have been chosen:—

Colours:—V. Benwell; J. Potter and E. V. Reed; R. A. Bates (Captain), W. A. Reed and H. Brown; W. G. Schnable, N. A. E. Mackay, L. Starbuck, K. C. Woodhouse, and I. P. Tamworth.

Whites:—E. Moses; J. Cox and A. N. Other; K. Bidmead, G. Sommer and G. Parker; S. Fowler, T. Whitley, G. E. R. Divett, (Captain) B. L. Bickford; and V. Bond.

Umpires:—A. A. Dand and A. N. Other.

THEY SAY - - -

THE final Test match did not reveal the bowlers who will cause the Bradman band a sleepless night, and I think much the same thing can be said of this series of Test matches. For what my opinion is worth, I do not think the right bowlers or batsmen have had their chance this time, and as presumably the same brains will select in 1938, well — there we are. Just there, and no farther? —*E. H. D. Sewell.*

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The signing of Reid gives the Hibernians one of the foremost strategic pivots in Scottish football, but this will not increase the pace which is required in the Easter Road rear lines.—*The Scotsman.*

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Too many golfers, both old and young, are inclined to look upon their caddie as merely a bag carrier and divot replacer, when actually he can be their best friend. The majority of caddies can play the strokes as well as most people, and their advice is usually reliable.—*Abe Mitchell.*

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When watching a good tennis player watch him section by section, so to speak. Take his feet first. Sit as close to the court as you can, and concentrate solely on those feet, not bothering about who is winning the game.—*H. B. T. Wakelam.*

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It seems to me a pity that there are so few players of Wightman Cup or Davis Cup standard outside the English border. I am sure that this is due to lack of opportunity rather than to lack of keenness or ability. The ability which must be there is not always given the chance to emerge from the chrysalis stage.—*Dorothy Round.*

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Tilted tees will be one of the best ways of making golf a real test, and I hope that some club will have the initiative to try them out. I know this idea will meet with a round of laughter, but it is not so stupid as it seems at first. At least every tilted tee will make a new hole. It would be cheaper to construct a few big dome-shaped tees. Then the teeing discs could be moved around them, as desired. Think it over!—*Henry Cotton.*

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WARNING TO SCOTTISH RUGBY AUTHORITIES

LEAGUE OFFERS TEMPTING TO BEST AMATEURS

(By PLEGAN)

GLASGOW, AUGUST 21.

THE PASSING OF G. L. GRAY, THE SCOTLAND AND GALA "HOOKER", FROM AMATEUR SCOTTISH RUGBY TO PROFESSIONALISM IS A HAPPENING RATHER HEAVILY LADEN IN PORTENTS. EVERYONE WILL WISH GRAY ALL THAT HE WISHES HIMSELF IN HIS NEW SPHERE. TO TRANSFER FROM NON-PAID RANKS TO THE VERY HONOURABLE ONES OF THOSE WHO RECEIVE WAGES FOR THEIR PLAY IS NOTHING IN ITSELF. BOTH CODES ARE GRAND ONES.

And a finer set of men than the professional Rugby players would be hard to find. I know, because I once belonged to a Rugby League club, although my connection was an honorary one. And in the ranks of that same club was a noted old Scottish Rugby internationalist, W. B. Welsh, of Hawick.

What makes us put on our thinking caps is the danger that lies in professional ranks tempting our outstanding players away. Scottish Rugby has shown itself weak enough in all conscience sake during the last few seasons. We are coming to a period in which there will be a most stern struggle to re-establish ourselves internationally as a Rugby power. We cannot afford to have the Rugby League taking away any of our men, whether they be past, present, or potential "caps."

Last year, I spent some time in Rugby League territory. There I saw the danger signal for Scottish Rugby. I was made aware that professional eyes were turned upon the players in our country. I wrote about this on my return to Scotland.

THE MEN ARE THERE

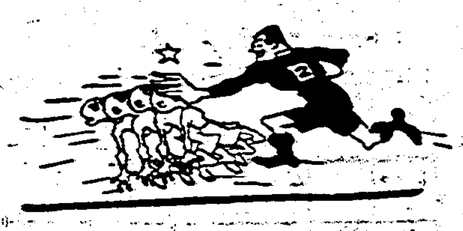
During the debacles that have come our way in recent winters, I have said over and over again that we have the men to carry Scotland to victory after victory. It is the blending of our teams that is wrong. Therefore, selection errors. And that is what the Rugby League officials see.

The men who administer the affairs of the Rugby League and its clubs are far more farsighted than our authorities. This is not surprising in view of the fact that it is their life's work, whereas our officials are merely volunteers indulging in a hobby.

Happenings lead one to believe that some of our officials do not know a good Rugby player when they see him. One cannot help thinking that they cannot sense the potentialities latent in a performer. The Rugby League selectors and scouts are in an entirely different position. They are experts in their jobs up to their finger tips. If they fail, out they go. They are, from this point of view, in a business not a game.

THE BIG DANGER

It is in this direction that danger lies for Scottish Rugby. The paid officials have been showing a certain unrest about the material obtainable from England and Wales. I know that they regard Scotland as the likely recruiting ground of the near future. It is not that they think Scotsmen will be easier to persuade than Englishmen or Welshmen. They believe that they will get more value for their money in Scottish circles. They are also aware that they may have a greater difficulty to getting Scots to sign on the dotted line.



For this reason, professional agents are likely to be more dangerous than ever to Scottish Rugby. Over the Border, they go about their ventures openly. They do not meet with the opposition that awaits them in Scotland. Therefore, we must expect the professional representatives to use subtle methods in approaching players. And the man who works under a smoke screen is harder to defeat than the one who labours in the open.

AN "ATTACK" COMING

Officials know—you know; I know—that more and more Scottish players have been buttonholed by professional agents in recent years. Some of them have flirted too much with the paid proposals, without, perhaps, seriously entertaining them. But they have been sentenced for their temerity. They have disappeared quietly from Scottish Rugby circles. Only they and certain officials know why.

If we had the television power of seeing into the homes and hearts of all Scottish Rugby players, we would be surprised, I fancy, by the the number of them who have been the victim of hints from professional circles. Even when they have spurned them immediately, they are bound to have their effect. It is upsetting for a man to be put in a position, which his authorities would not like, through no fault of his own. It is more than possible that the worry of it will affect his play.

This is a warning. Scottish Rugby is going to be severely "attacked" by professional agents. These men are better equipped for nosing out a good player than our own amateur officials are. And, what is more, they think more of Scottish Rugby personalities and play than we do.

FORMER ARSENAL PLAYER FOR EVERTON

Everton have signed Peter Dougall, the former Arsenal Scottish inside forward. Dougall, who is 5 ft 8 ins and 11 st 3 lb, formerly played for Southampton and Racing Club de Paris. He deputised in the Arsenal eleven at inside left for Alex. James.

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WHAT OF THE BRITISH WALKER CUP?

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boy coming from the North of Scotland. He gets into fourball games and gets to know all sorts of other lads in a way he could never have done otherwise. Then, when he comes to man's estate and if he continues to produce good golf, what a joy it is to go down to say, Sandwich, and be greeted warmly by Englishmen and Lowland Scots with "Hello, how are you, I haven't seen you since the Boys at—."

That is a purely hypothetical case, but it has happened in actuality. I cannot think that the critics of the Boys' Championship take these things into account when they are condemning it.

BEAT INTERNATIONALS

In closing, might I draw attention to the fact that J. B. Stevenson won the Western District Alliance meeting at Dundonald this week with two rounds of 72 compiled in half a gale and driving rain. He had the majority of Scotland's leading professionals and many good amateurs out against him on that day, and, I believe, hardly ever hit a drive off the fairway in spite of the fact that his first club was one borrowed when he arrived on the tee and discovered he had left his own at home.

And that, gentleman, is the player whom I defended not so very long ago when I was told by someone who ought to have known better that "Stevenson is no golfer and will never be a golfer."

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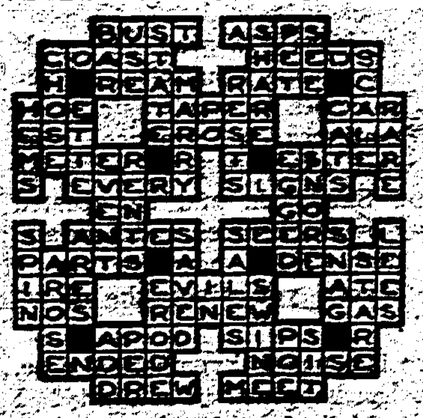

GENERAL NOTICES

KOWLOON CRICKET CLUB.

The Annual General Meeting of Members will be held in the Club House on Thursday, 23rd. September, 1937, at 5.30 p.m.

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By order of the General Committee,

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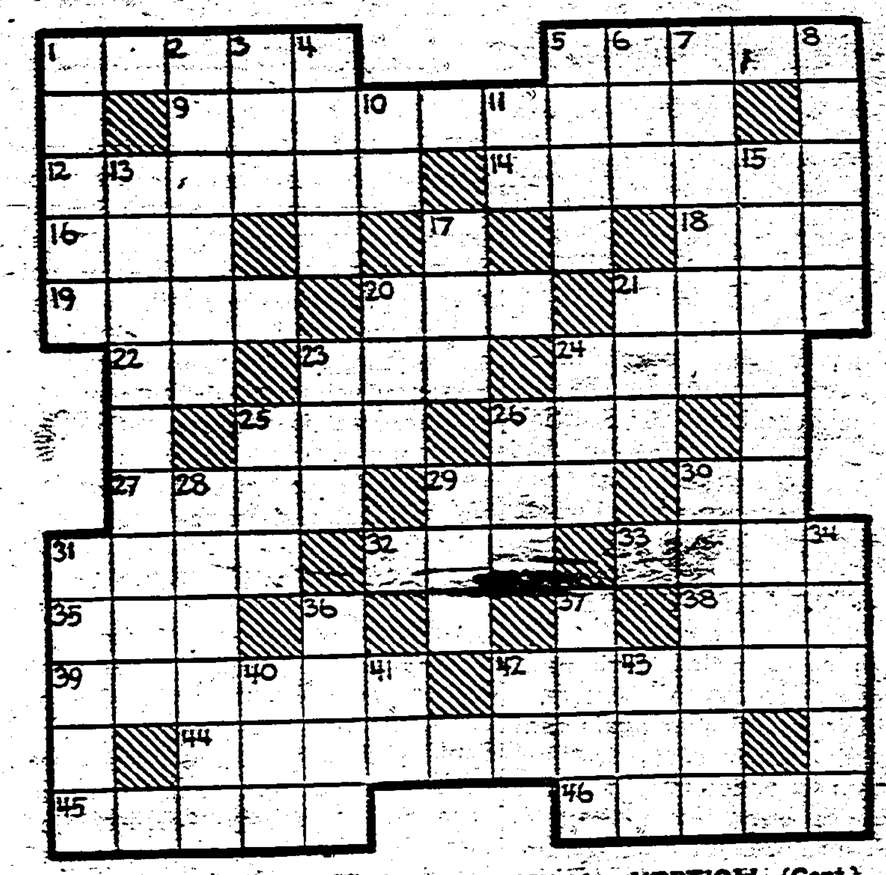
By Order,

C. B. BROWN,
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 20th Sept., 1937.

DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE

This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spelling, such as harbor, plow, and altho.



HORIZONTAL
1–A sailing vessel
5–One who hoards
9–The right of suffrage
12–Alludes
14–Regard
16–A compass point (abbr.)
18–Soft food for babes
19–Scarce
20–Pale
21–Smaller
22–Civil Service (abbr.)
23–Bone of the body
24–Secrete
25–Drunkard
26–To hang down
27–Well-deserved reward
29–Fragment of cloth
30–Musical note
31–Choicest
32–Suppressed
33–Girl's name

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)
35–An insect
38–Pints (abbr.)
39–Gazes fixedly
42–Marsh
44–Unyielding
45–Molts
46–Apportions

VERTICAL
1–More certain
2–Tenders
3–Raw metal
4–Segment
5–To rain in very fine drops
6–Suffix to denote an agent
7–Percolate
8–Rears up, as a wild beast
10–A province of Canada (abbr.)

VERTICAL (Cont.)
11–Pronoun
13–A statute
15–Incorporeal rights
17–Head covering
20–Humor
21–Part of the mouth
22–Coal-scuttle
24–Large pig
25–Adjust
26–Youth
28–One's entire property
29–Tear
30–Meal
31–Foundations
34–Domestic animal (pl.)
35–Marches
37–Condemn
40–Crimson
41–A continent (abbr.)
42–One thousand one
43–Regret extremely

The solution of the above with a new cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's issue.

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WARMING UP IN SHANGHAI

NANKING BLACKED OUT ALL NIGHT

Nanking, To-day.

Atlhough there were no signs yesterday that the Japanese would carry out their threat to bomb Nanking, the entire city was plunged into darkness last night.

Searchlights of the Chinese anti-aircraft defences constantly stabbed the night sky for hostile planes.

Numbers of people who had sought refuge in large bomb-proof shelters outside the city, returned to their homes.

A large number of new shelters has been prepared all over the city.

Japanese quarters in Shanghai declare that the raid has been postponed in order to give foreigners ime to leave the city.—Trans-Ocean.

WEST RIVER BLOCKED

Canton, To-day.

It is reliably learned that all entrances to the West River have now been blocked. One channel remains open in the Pearl River for Canton-Hong Kong-Macao traffic.—Reuter.

VIOLENT ATTACK BELIEVED IMMINENT

Shanghai, To-day.

Heavy Japanese field batteries in Yangtsepoo and the Civic Centre severely shelled the Chinese positions at Kiangwan this morning.

This is considered to be the prelude to a determined drive against the Chinese right flank, but the attack has not yet materialised.

Meanwhile a Japanese spokesman claims that the Japanese army has advanced on the Liuho-Lotien front.

He says that a message from Lotien reveals that the Japanese are advancing southward towards Liuhang, but progress is slow because of the elaborate Chinese defences.

Contradicting the Japanese claims a Chinese spokesman says that the Chinese lines on all fronts are unchanged.—Reuter.

ATTACK LAUNCHED THIS MORNING

Shanghai, 1.30 p.m., To-day.

A Japanese military spokesman, who announced that a junction had been formed between the Japanese troops at Woosung and Lotien, admitted that this morning was the first time that they had formed contact.

Reinforcements are increasing the strength of the Japanese troops on the Lotien-Liuhang sector and an attack was launched this morning, though without apparent success.—Our Own Correspondent.

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Nanking, To-day.

Between 30 and 40 Japanese planes subjected the capital to terrific bombing at 10.35 this morning.

The "All Clear" signal was sounded at noon.—Reuter.

Nanking, To-day.

The streets of the capital presented a wild appearance when the air raid warning sounded at 10.35 this morning. People dashed madly for shelter on foot, in cars and in rickshas. Thirteen Chinese Curtiss-Hawk pursuit planes went up and an hour later between 30 to 40 Japanese planes appeared at 10,000 feet. Signal to bomb was given by the commander of the squadron by means of a smoke signal. Another Japanese air armada bombed Pukow, across the river from Nanking.—Reuter.

Canton, To-day.

Heralding the sixth air raid in two days and the fourth today, the air raid sirens were sounded at 2.05 this afternoon.

This further appearance of Japanese planes seems to indicate intention of systematically bombing Canton in relays, not only with the aim of destroying military positions but also to break the morale of the people of South China.

Cantonese, however, are standing up to the strain remarkably well.—Reuter.

Canton, 2.40 p.m. To-day.

The sixth Japanese air raid on Canton was apparently checked by Chinese planes before the enemy could reach the city, as the Japanese planes failed to appear and the all clear signal has been sounded.—Reuter.

Sofia Political Arrests

Sofia, To-day.

Fifteen leading members of the Bulgarian Peasant Party, dissolved three years ago simultaneously with other political parties, were arrested by the police yesterday.

The arrested politicians are sympathisers of the former Minister of Agriculture, M. Gitcheff, arrested and exiled two months ago following a trip to Prague and Paris.

Yesterday's arrests were connected with distribution of pamphlets demanding reinstatement of M. Gitcheff.—Trans-Ocean.

CRASH SEEN

Japanese Plane Down In Flames

Canton, To-day.

A number of foreigners witnessed a Japanese plane brought down in flames, confirming the Chinese claim.

Through binoculars the plane was seen to enter white clouds in an endeavour to escape the accurate fire from the Chinese anti-aircraft guns.

A few seconds later the plane crashed to the ground, a red sheet of flames.—Reuter.

Moscow, To-day.

Arrests of high officers of the red Army are continuing.

It is announced that among recent arrests have been those of the commander-in-chief of the Kharkov military district in the Ukraine, General Dubovoi, and his second-in-command, General Kviatek.

Both were accused of counter-revolutionary activities.—Trans-Ocean.

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